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**Vampire Bund**

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*J'ai lâché le paquet.*

*Qu'on m'enferme,*

*qu'on me lynche.*

*Comprenne qui pourra :*

*Je suis un mensonge*

*qui dit toujours la vérité*

I have sent the parcel.

Imprison me for it,

lynch me for it, if you will.

All that matters is that

those who know understand:

I am a liar,

who always speaks the truth.

*Jean Cocteau, Le Paquet rouge*



J'ai lâché le paquet. Qu'on  
m'enferme, qu'on me lynche.  
Comprenne qui pourra : Je  
suis un mensonge qui dit  
toujours la vérité

**J'ai lâché le paquet. Qu'on  
m'enferme, qu'on me lynche.  
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suis un mensonge qui dit  
toujours la vérité**

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Qu'on m'enferme,  
qu'on me lynche.  
Comprenne qui pourra  
: Je suis un mensonge  
qui dit toujours la  
vérité

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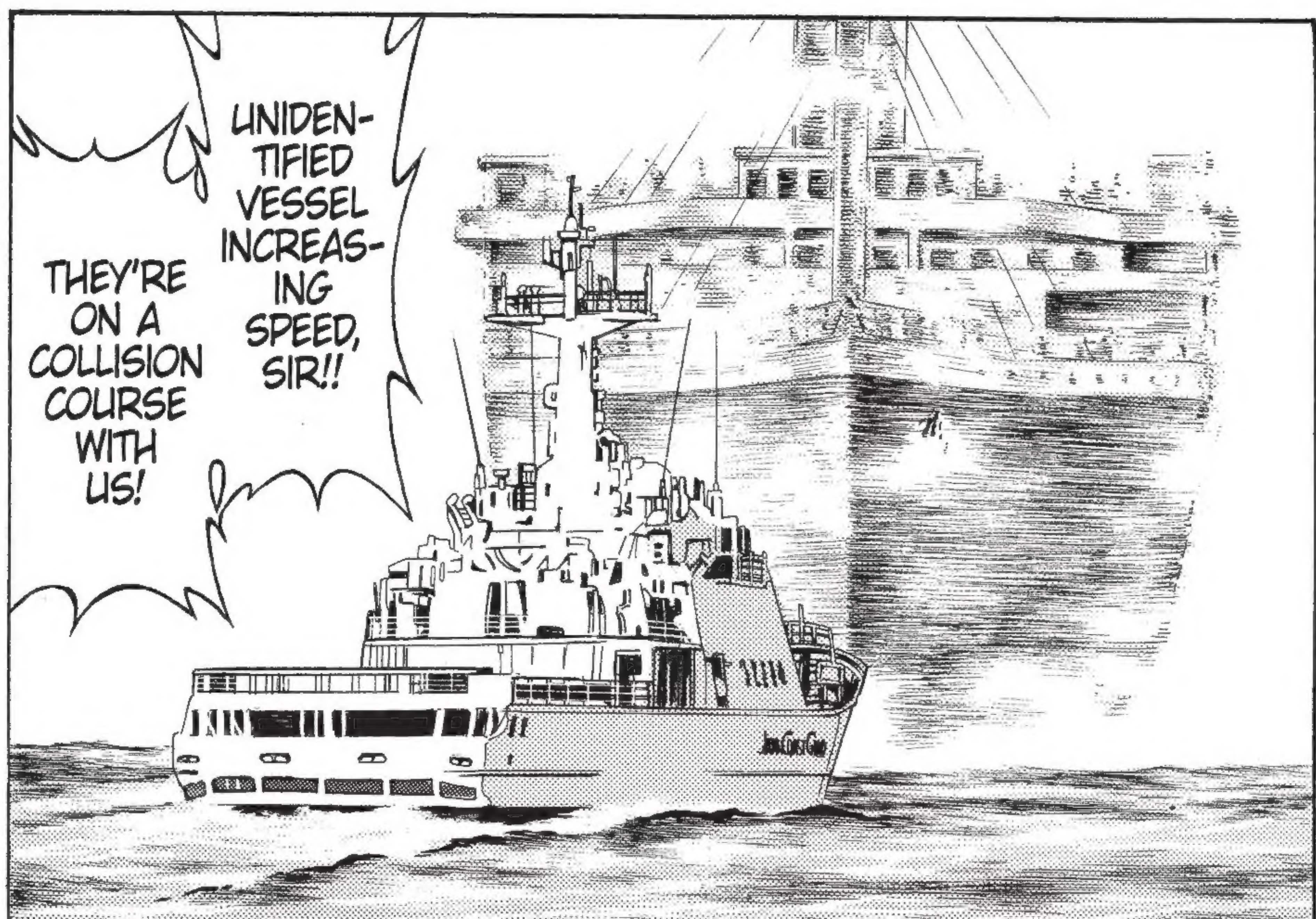
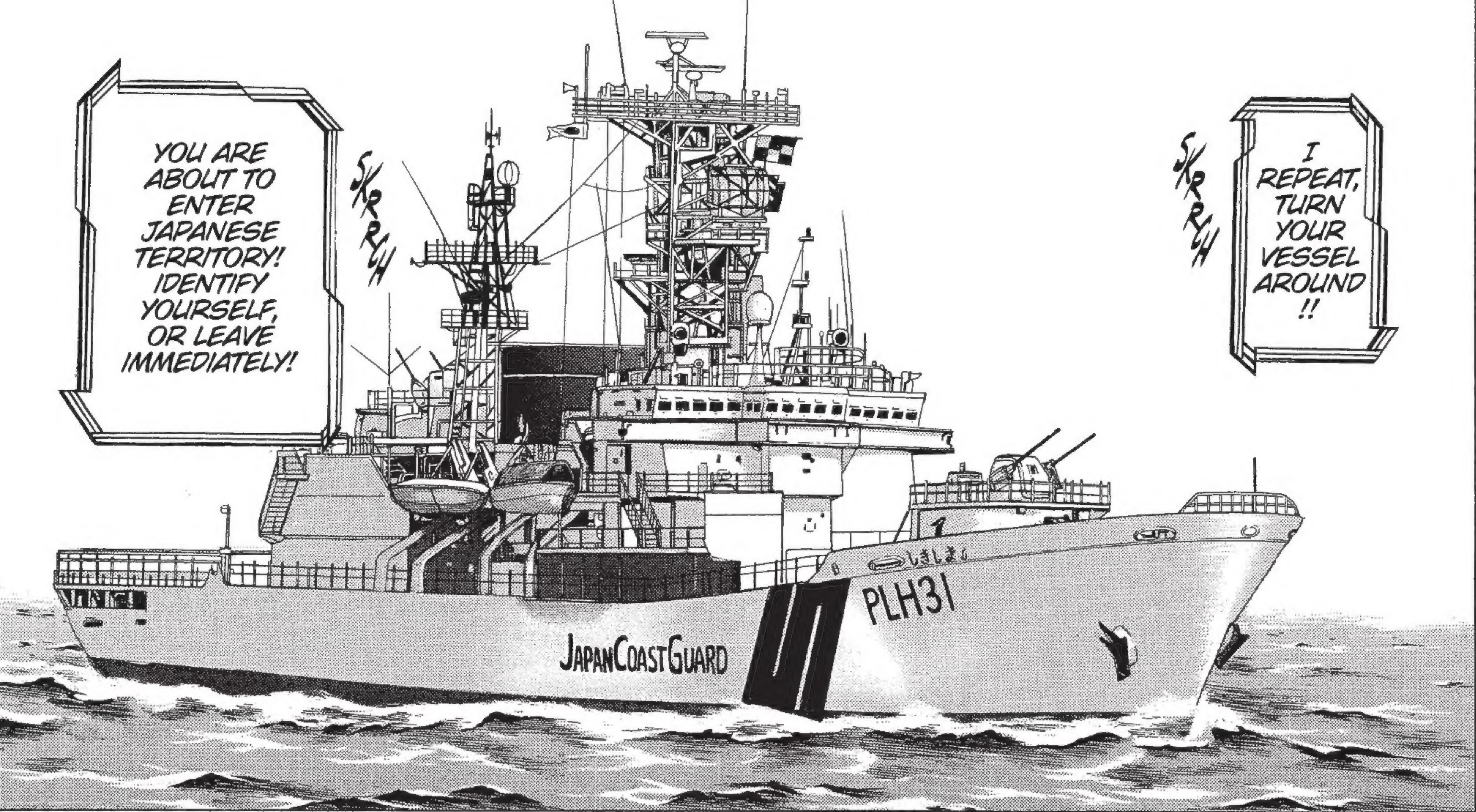
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*J'ai lâché le paquet. Qu'on  
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Comprenez qui pourra : Je suis un  
mensonge qui dit toujours la vérité  
J'ai lâché le paquet. Qu'on  
m'enferme, qu'on me lynche.  
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mensonge qui dit toujours la vérité  
J'ai lâché le paquet. Qu'on  
m'enferme, qu'on me lynche.*









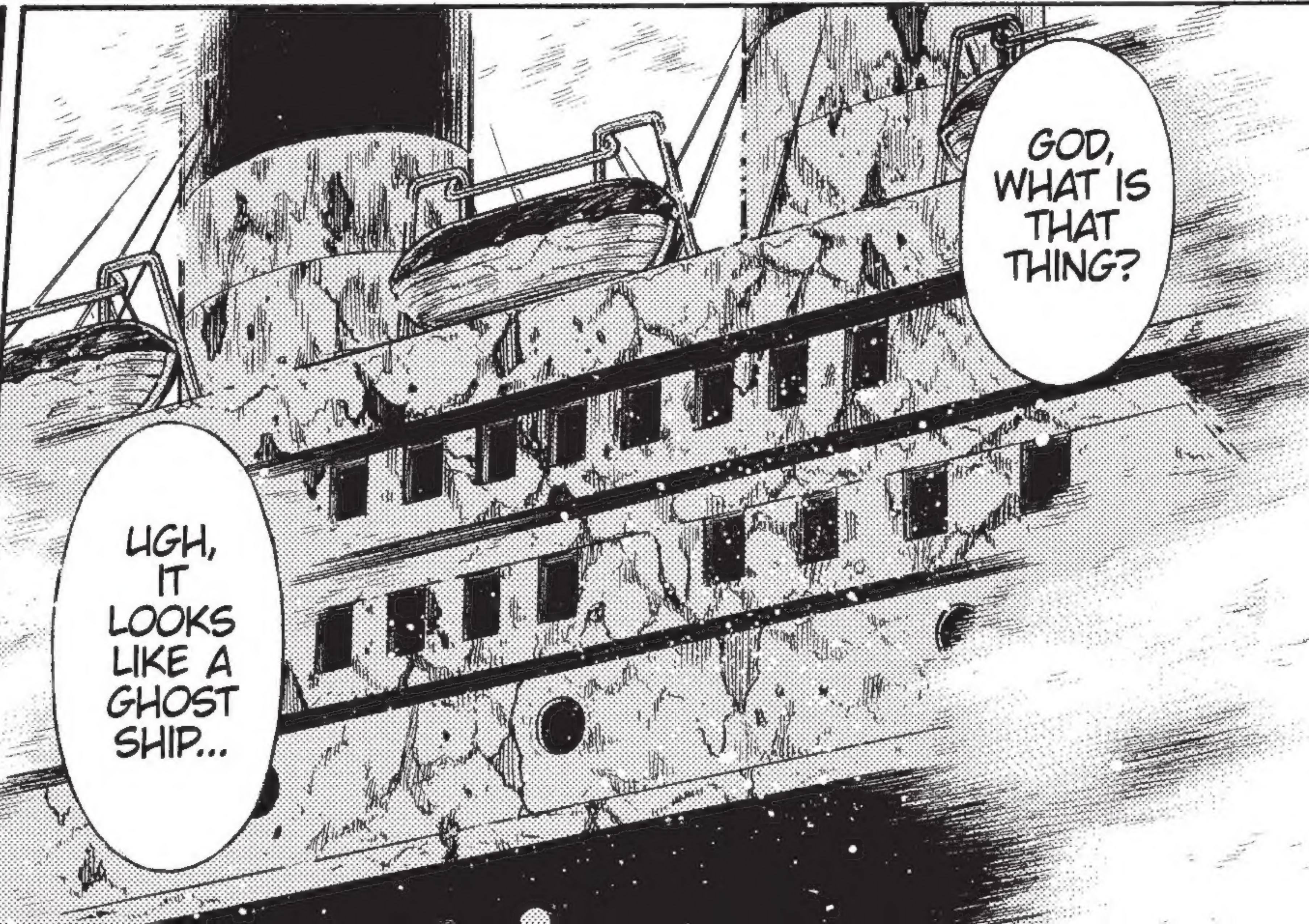
THEY'RE  
GOING  
TO  
SCRAPE  
OUR  
PORT  
SIDE!



ALL FREE  
HANDS TO  
THE PORT  
DECK!  
I WANT A  
VISUAL ID  
ON THAT  
SHIP!!



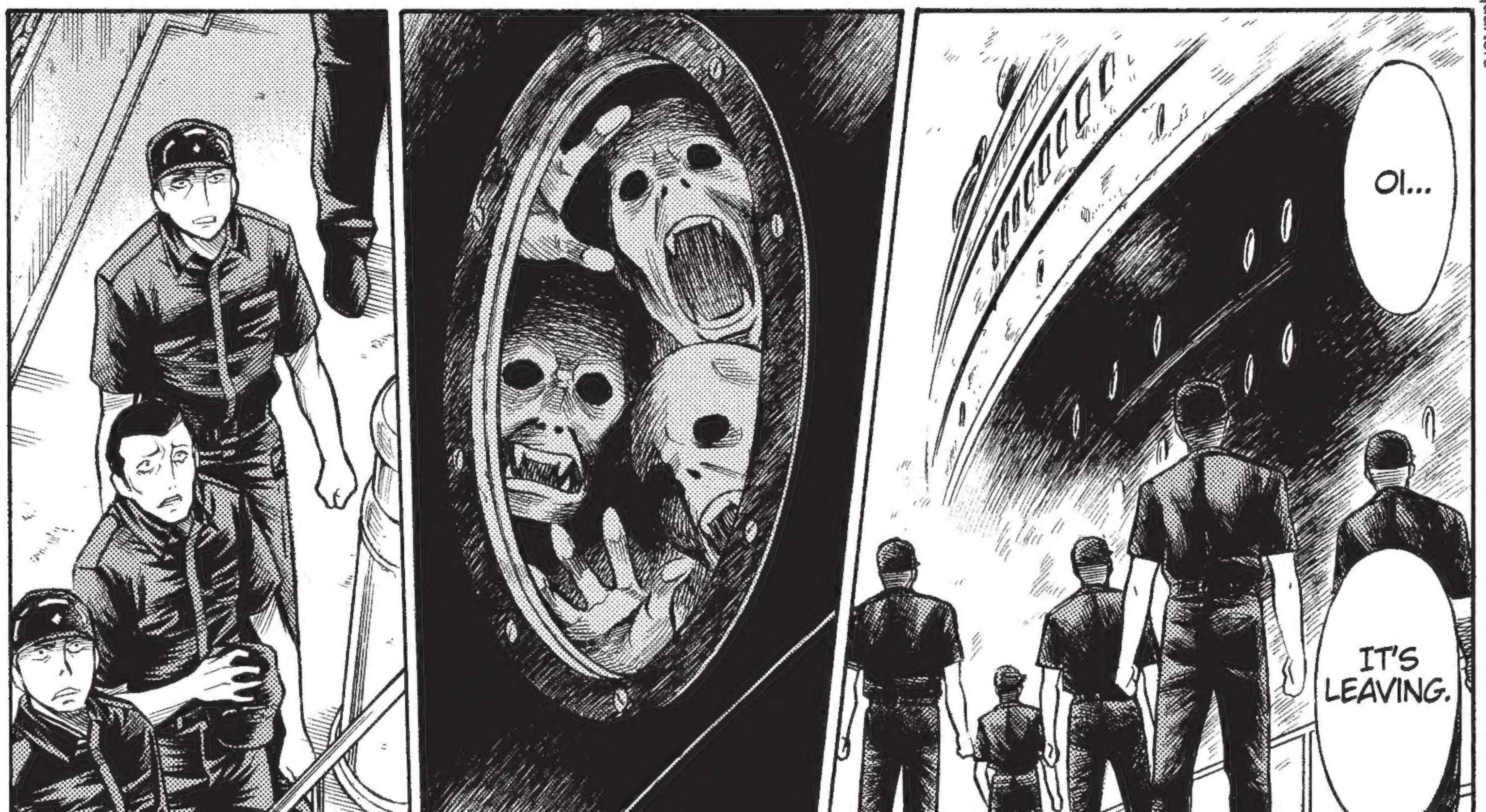
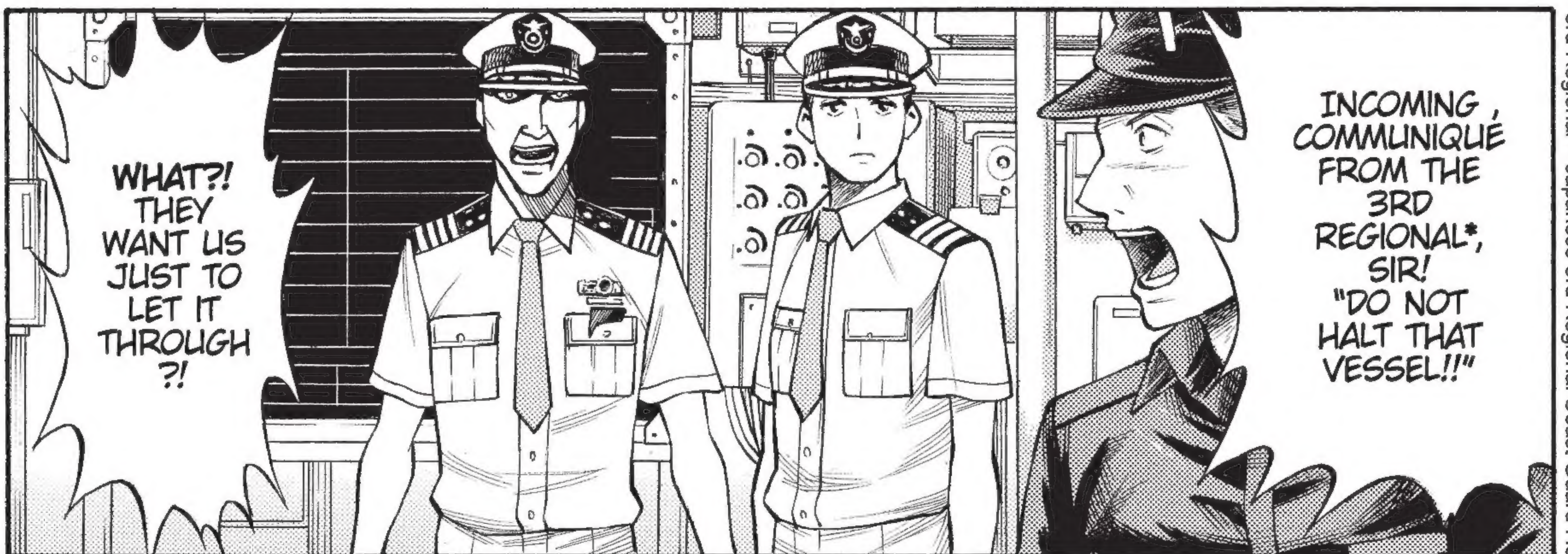
RUSSIAN  
...?



GOD,  
WHAT IS  
THAT  
THING?

UGH,  
IT  
LOOKS  
LIKE A  
GHOST  
SHIP...



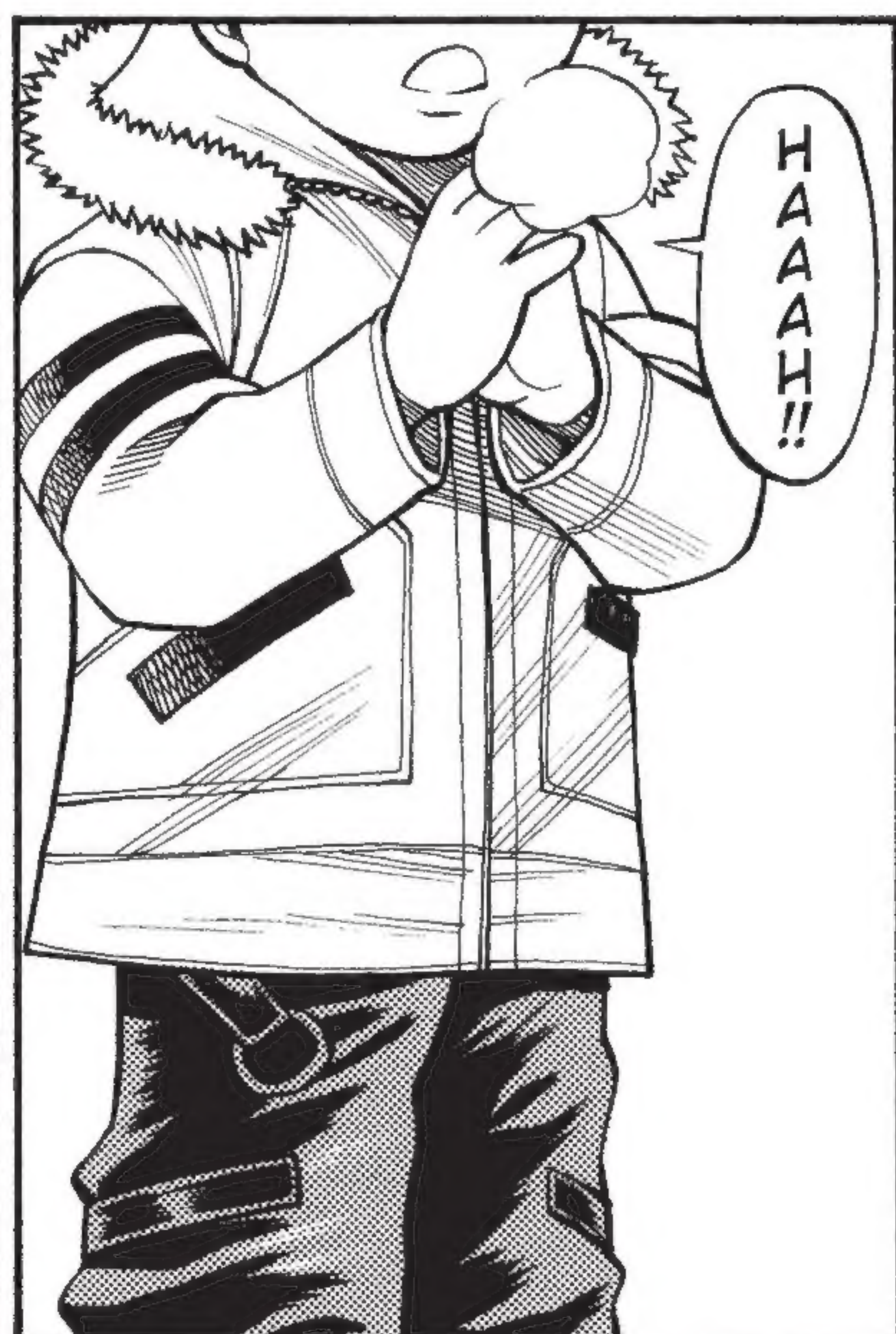
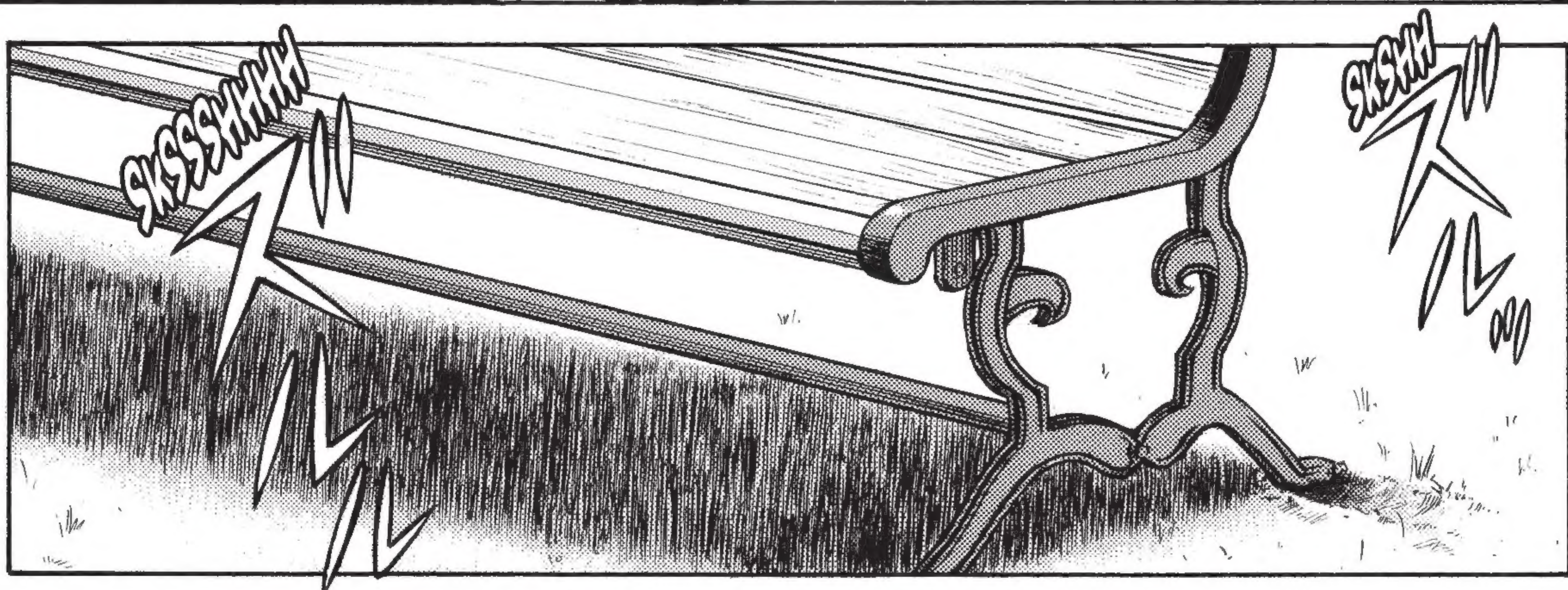




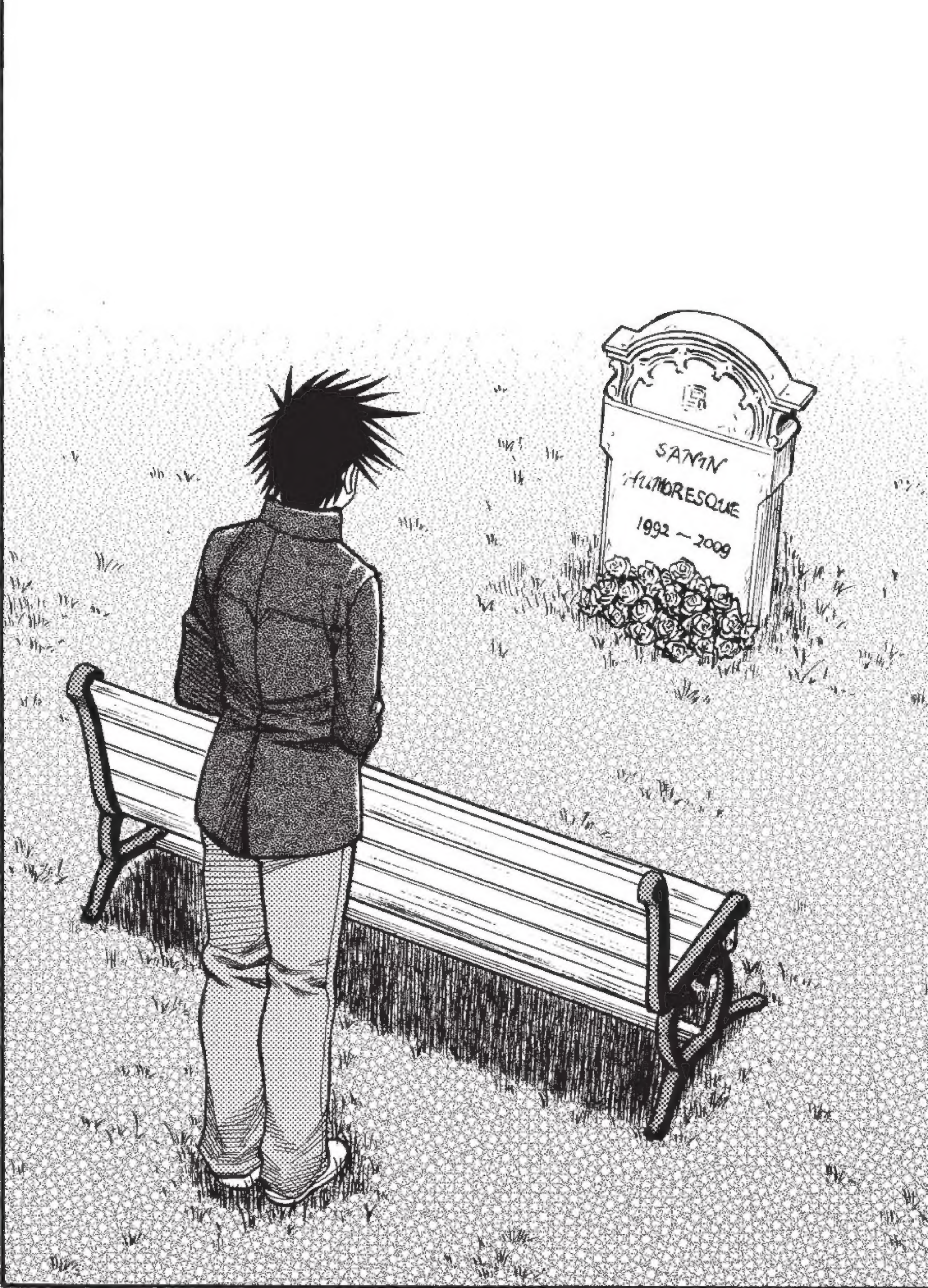
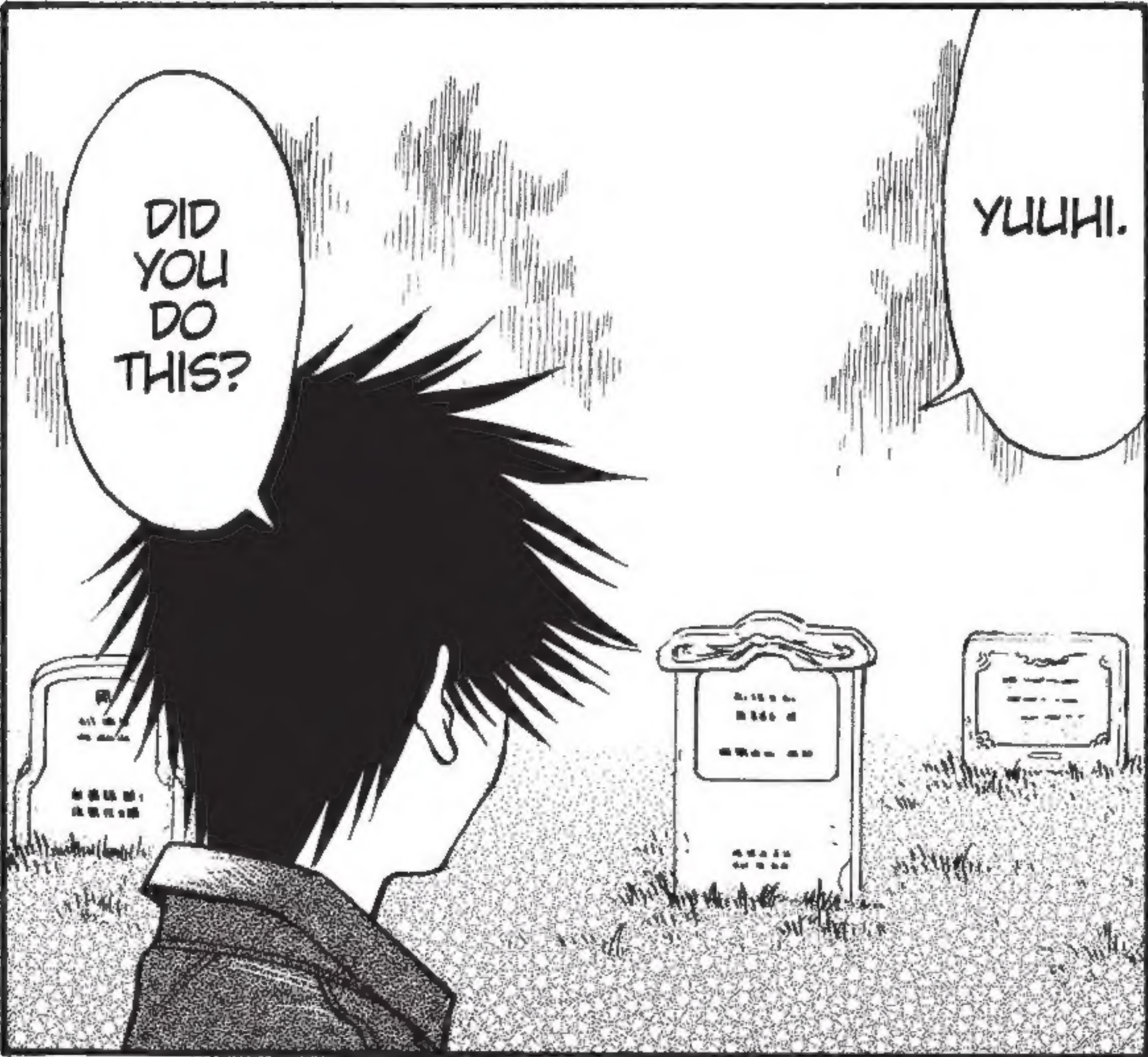
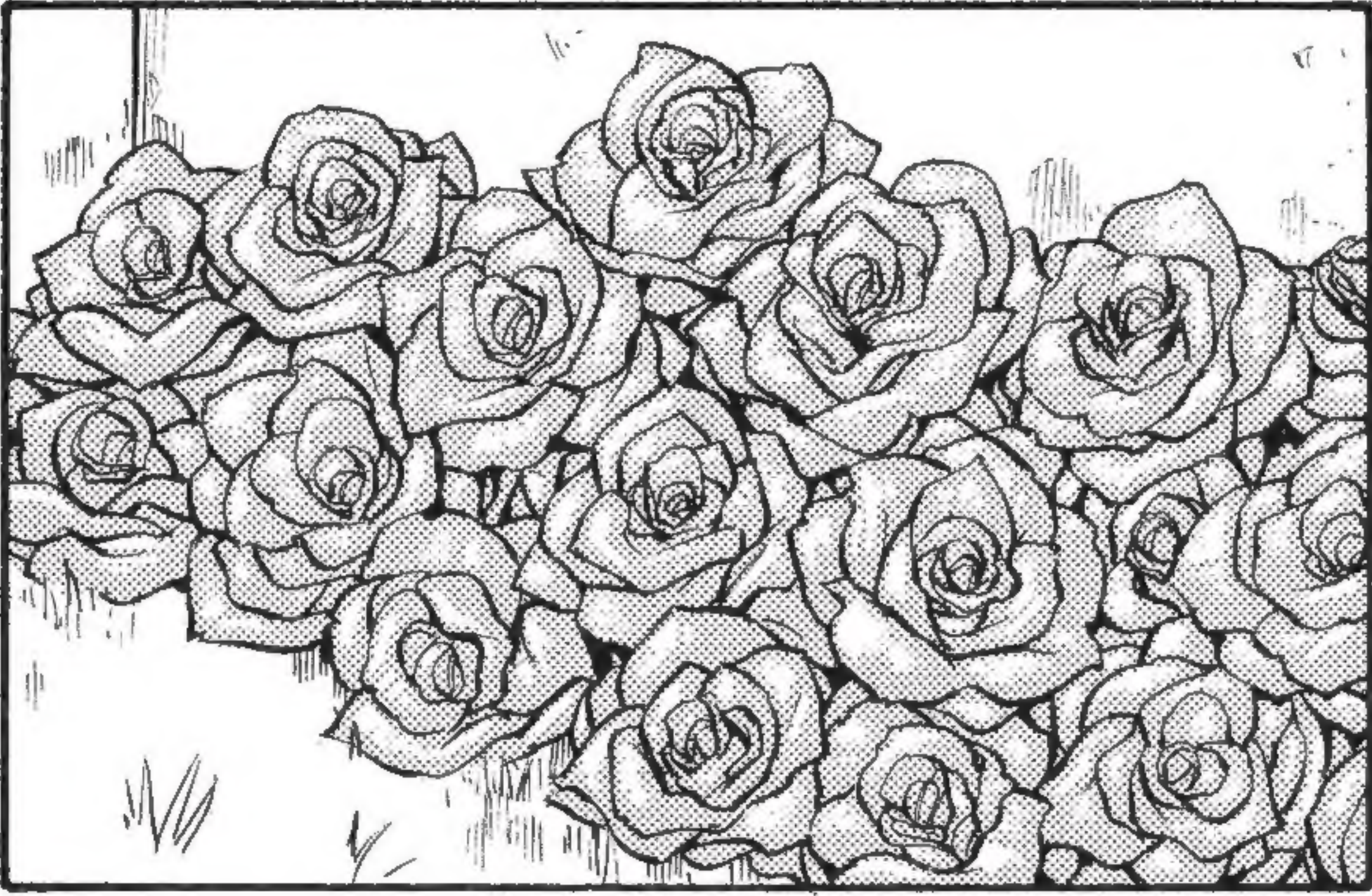


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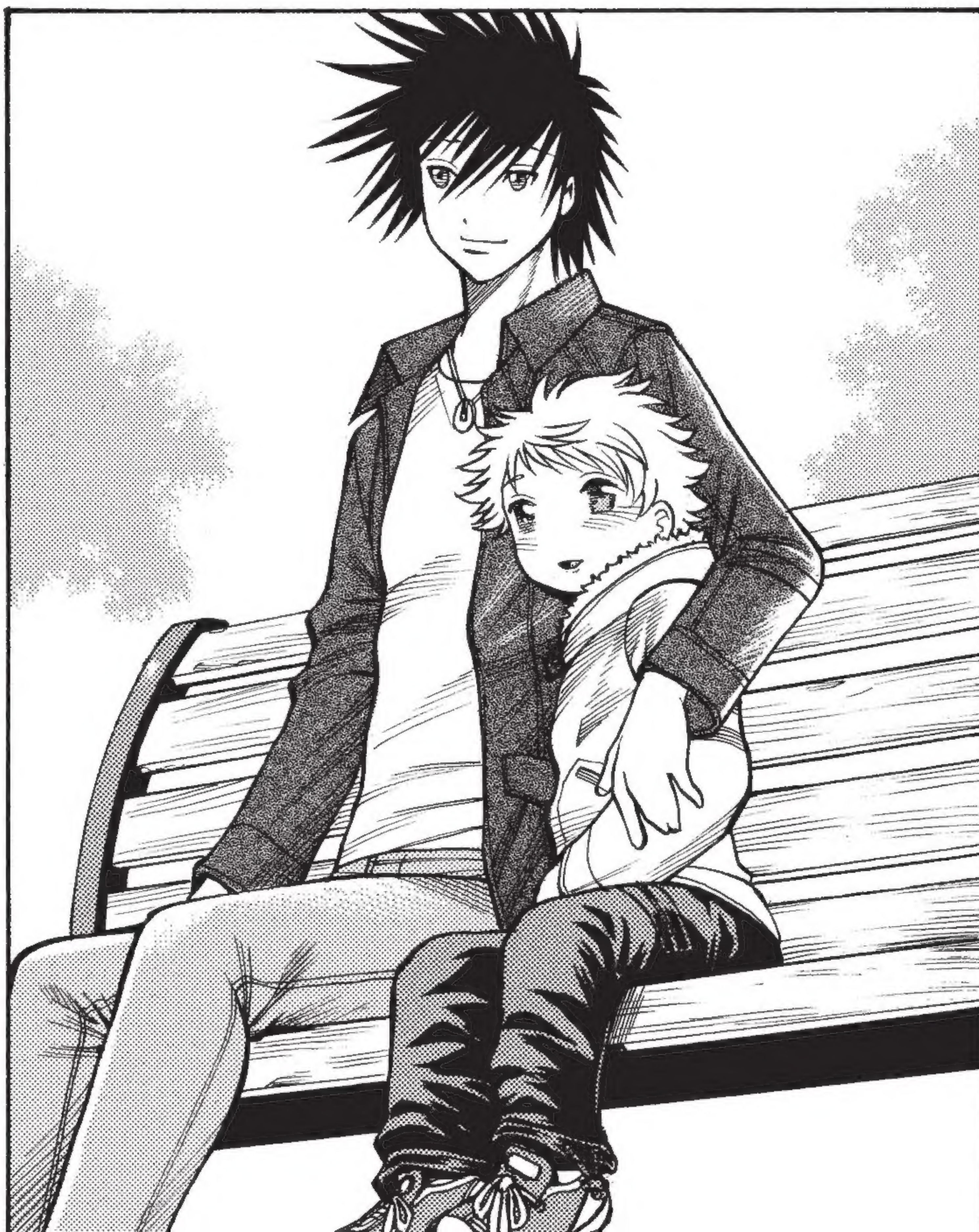
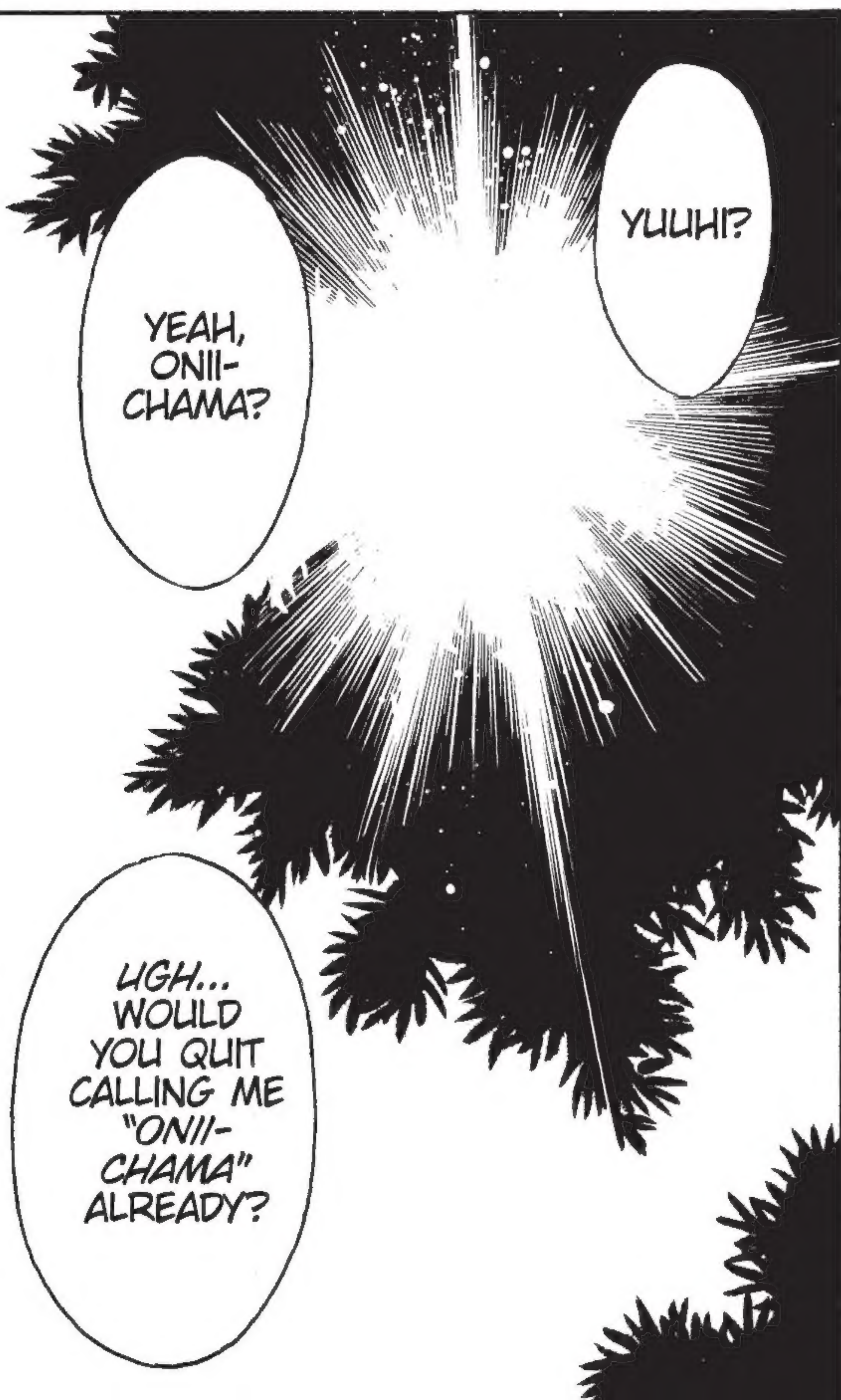
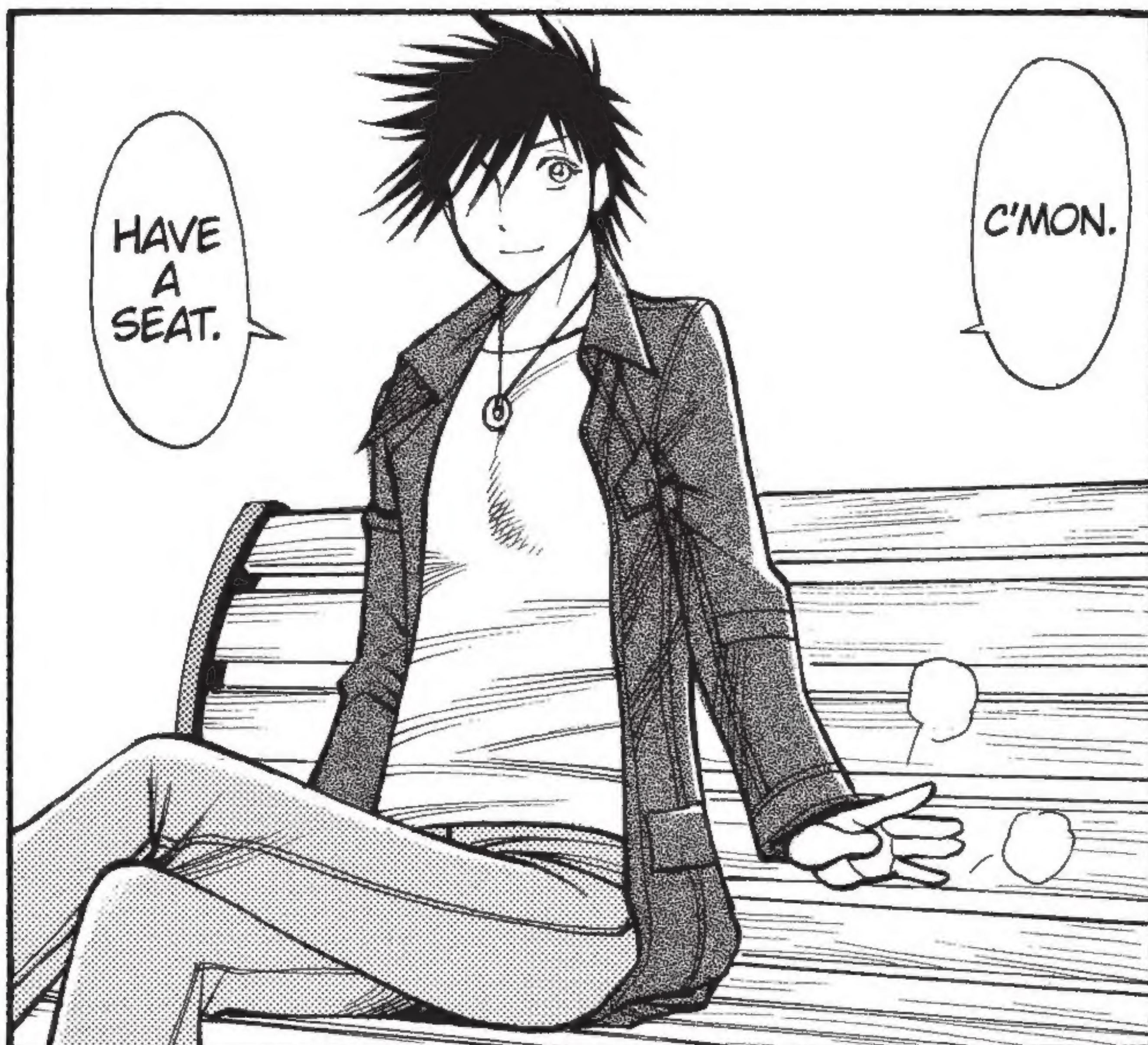




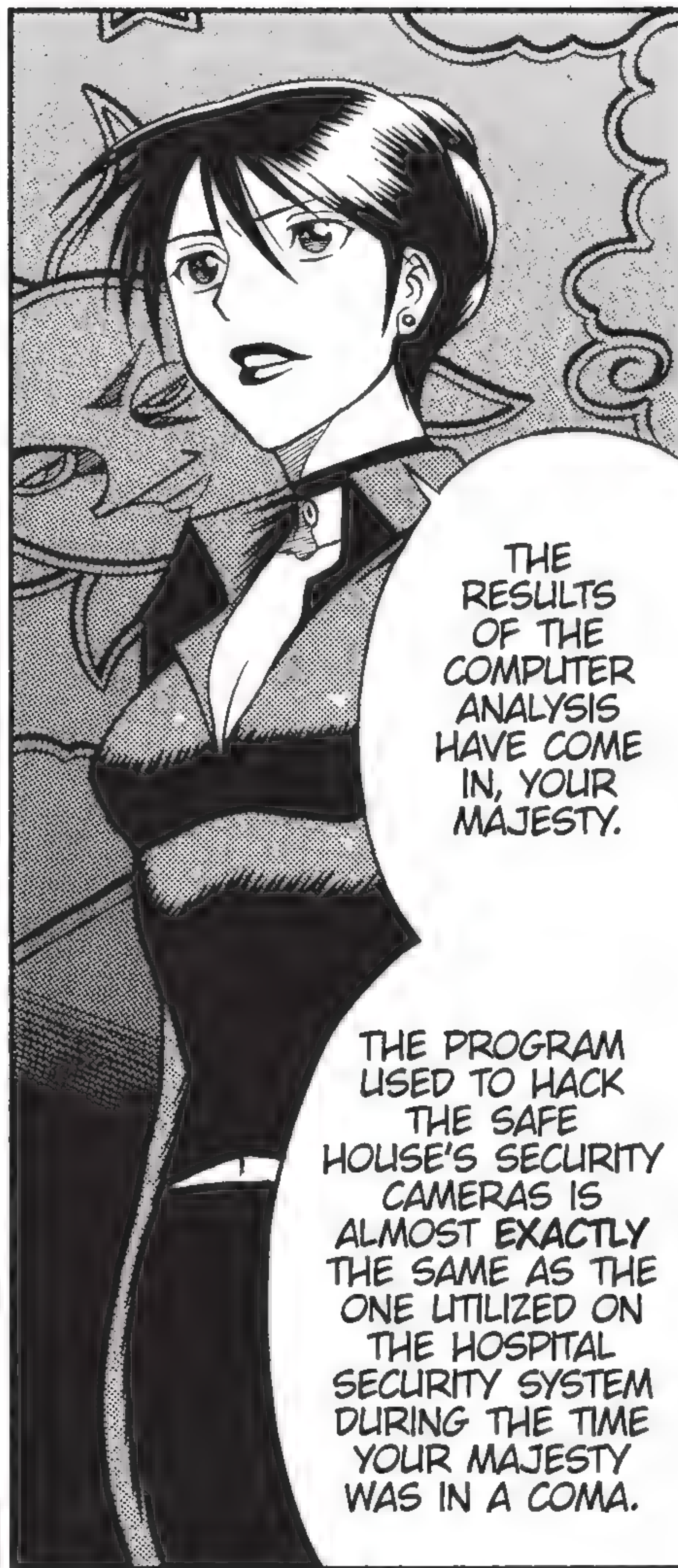
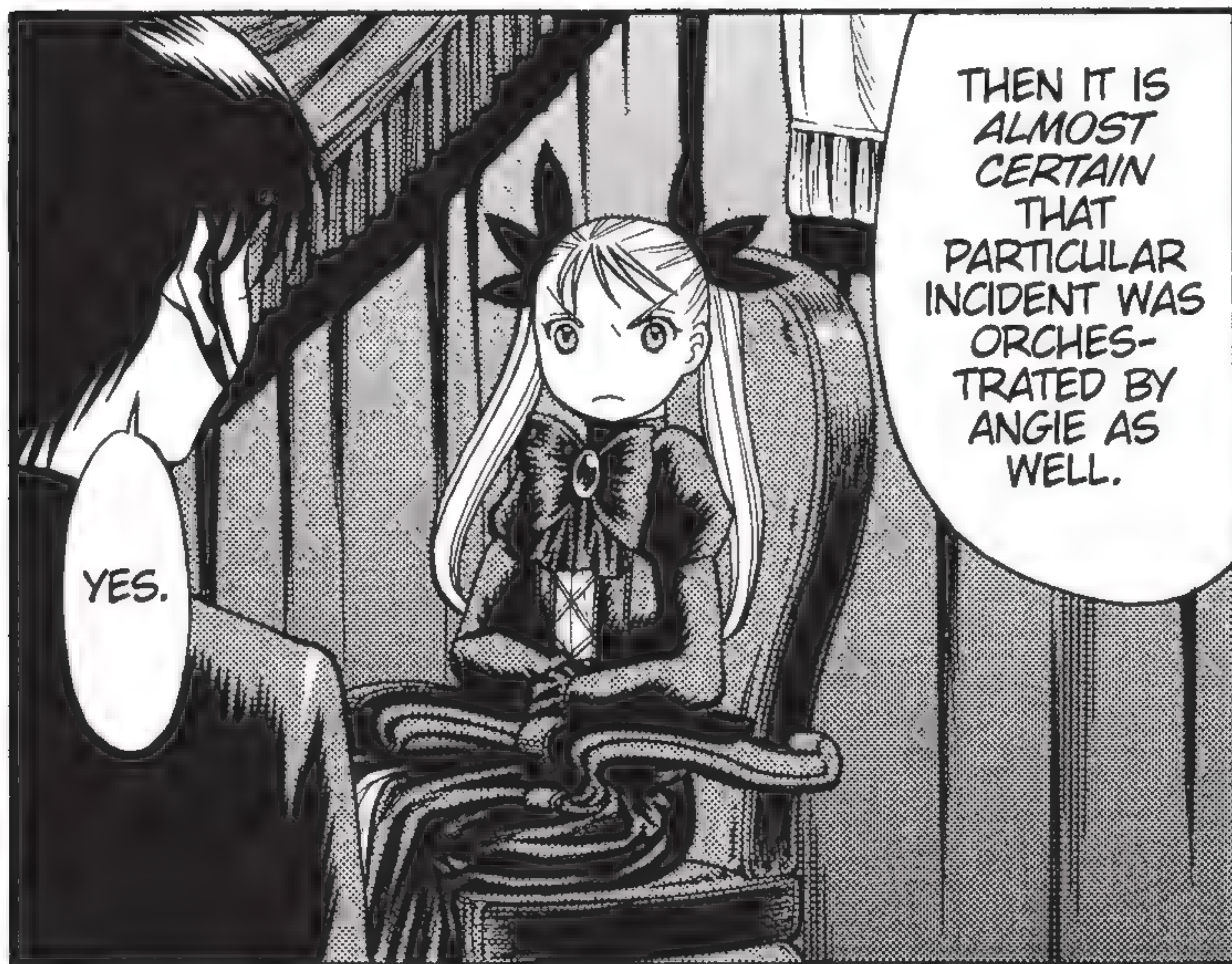
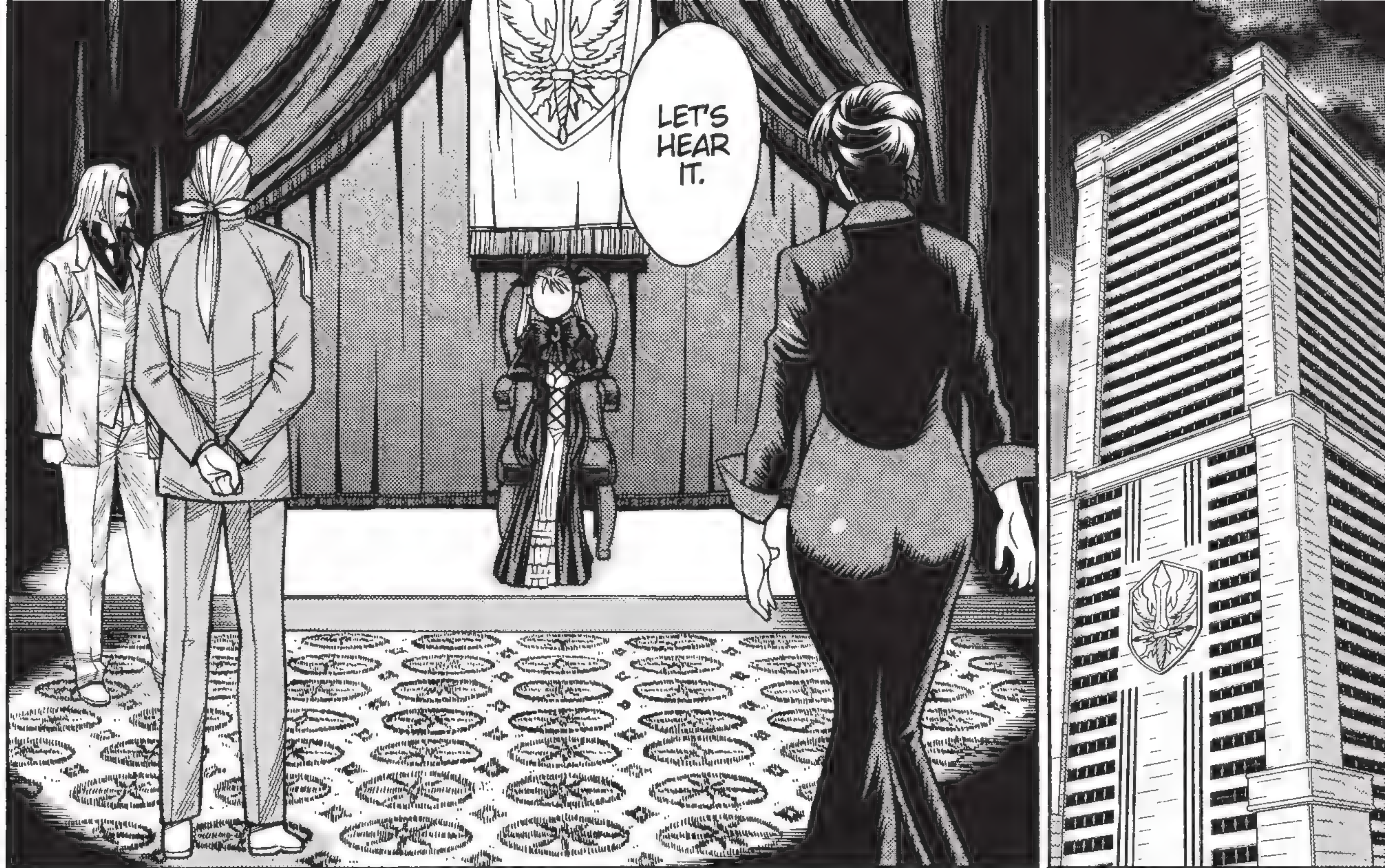




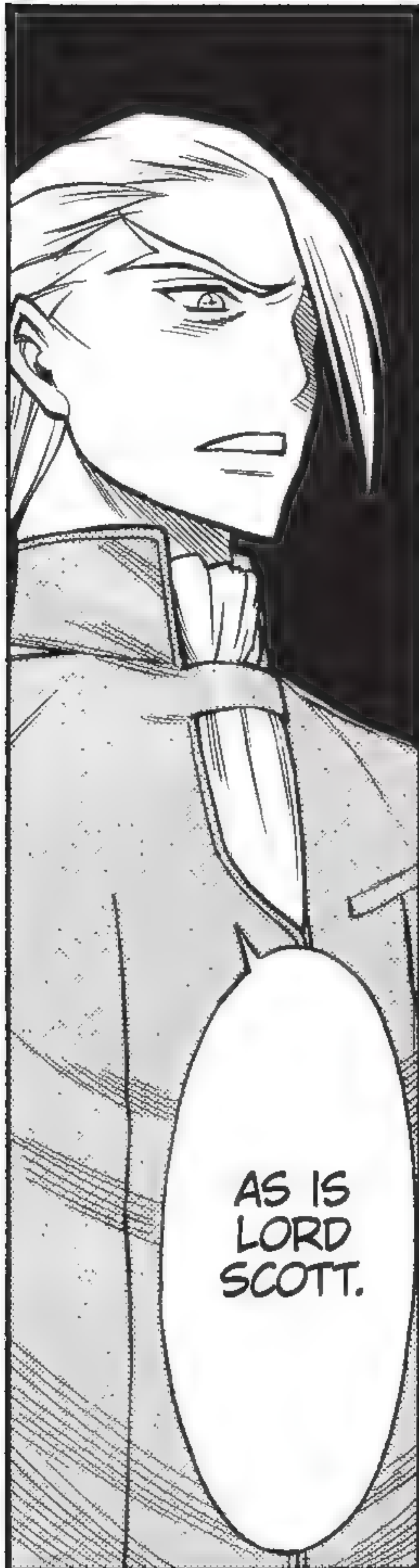




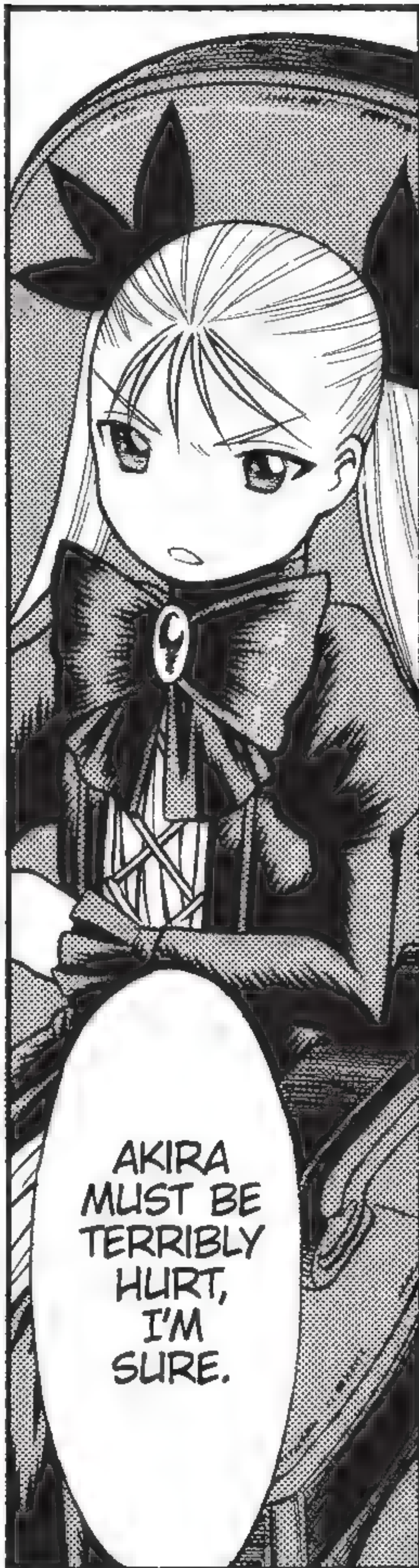








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LORD  
SCOTT.



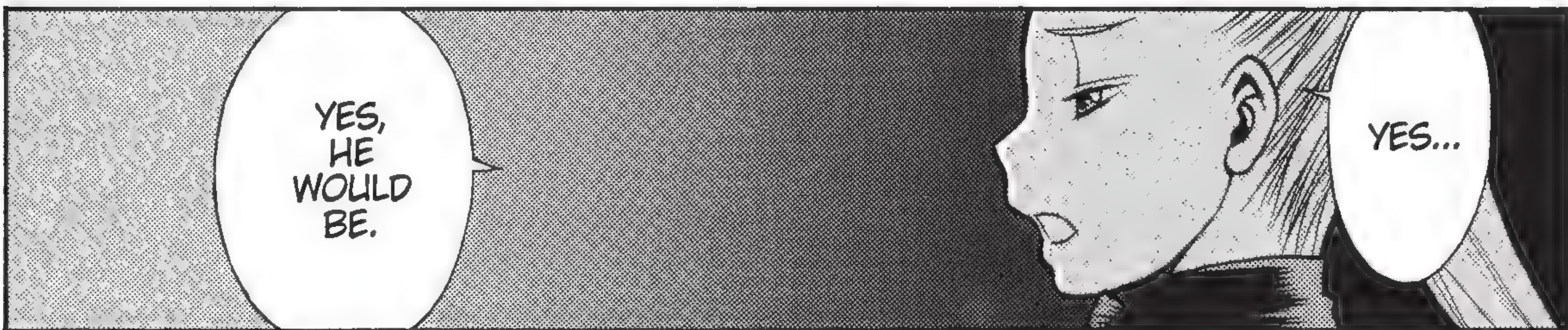
AKIRA  
MUST BE  
TERRIBLY  
HURT,  
I'M  
SURE.



YOUR  
MAJESTY,  
IT IS  
HIGHLY  
PROBABLE  
THAT  
HE IS A  
TELOMERE  
AGENT.



WE FINALLY  
IDENTIFY A  
KNOWN  
TELOMERE  
SUPPORTER,  
AND IT  
TURNS OUT  
HE WAS  
ONE OF  
OUR OWN.



YES,  
HE  
WOULD  
BE.

YES...



THE ANSWER  
TO THAT MAY  
VERY WELL  
CHANGE THE  
FACE OF  
EVERYTHING.

FOR HOW  
LONG  
HAS HE  
BETRAYED  
US?

HOWEVER,  
THE TRUTH  
DOES NOT  
CHANGE.  
ANGIE WAS  
AN ENEMY.  
SO OUR NEXT  
QUESTION IS,  
"SINCE  
WHEN?"





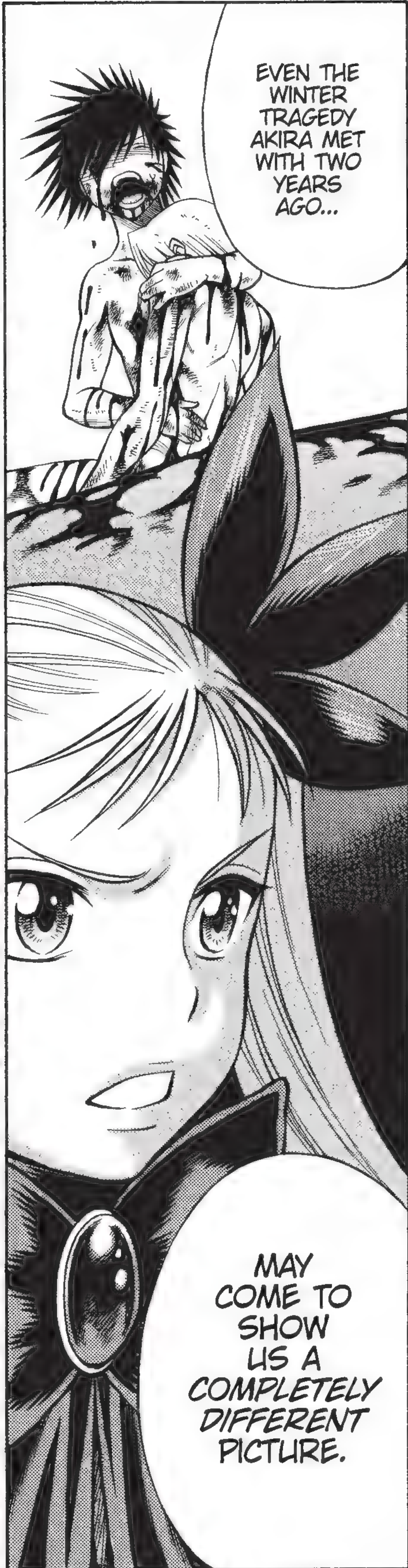
I BELIEVE,  
YOUR  
MAJESTY,  
THAT  
HE WAS  
AFTER...

TATI-  
ANNA.



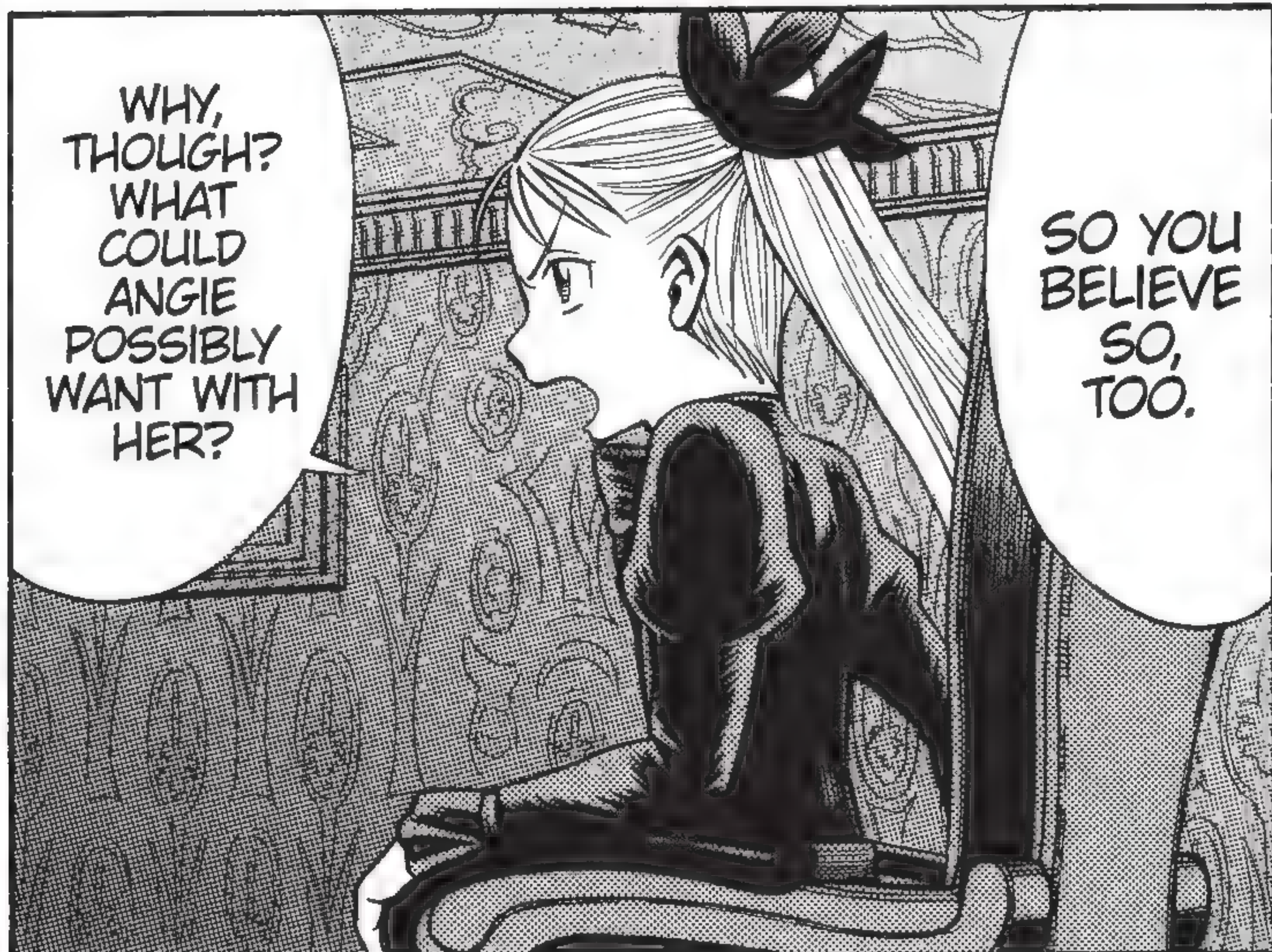
NOW,  
WHAT GOADED  
ANGIE INTO  
RISKING A  
COURSE OF  
ACTION THAT  
WOULD BLOW  
HIS COVER?

WOLF-  
GANG,  
WHAT  
DO YOU  
THINK?



EVEN THE  
WINTER  
TRAGEDY  
AKIRA MET  
WITH TWO  
YEARS  
AGO...

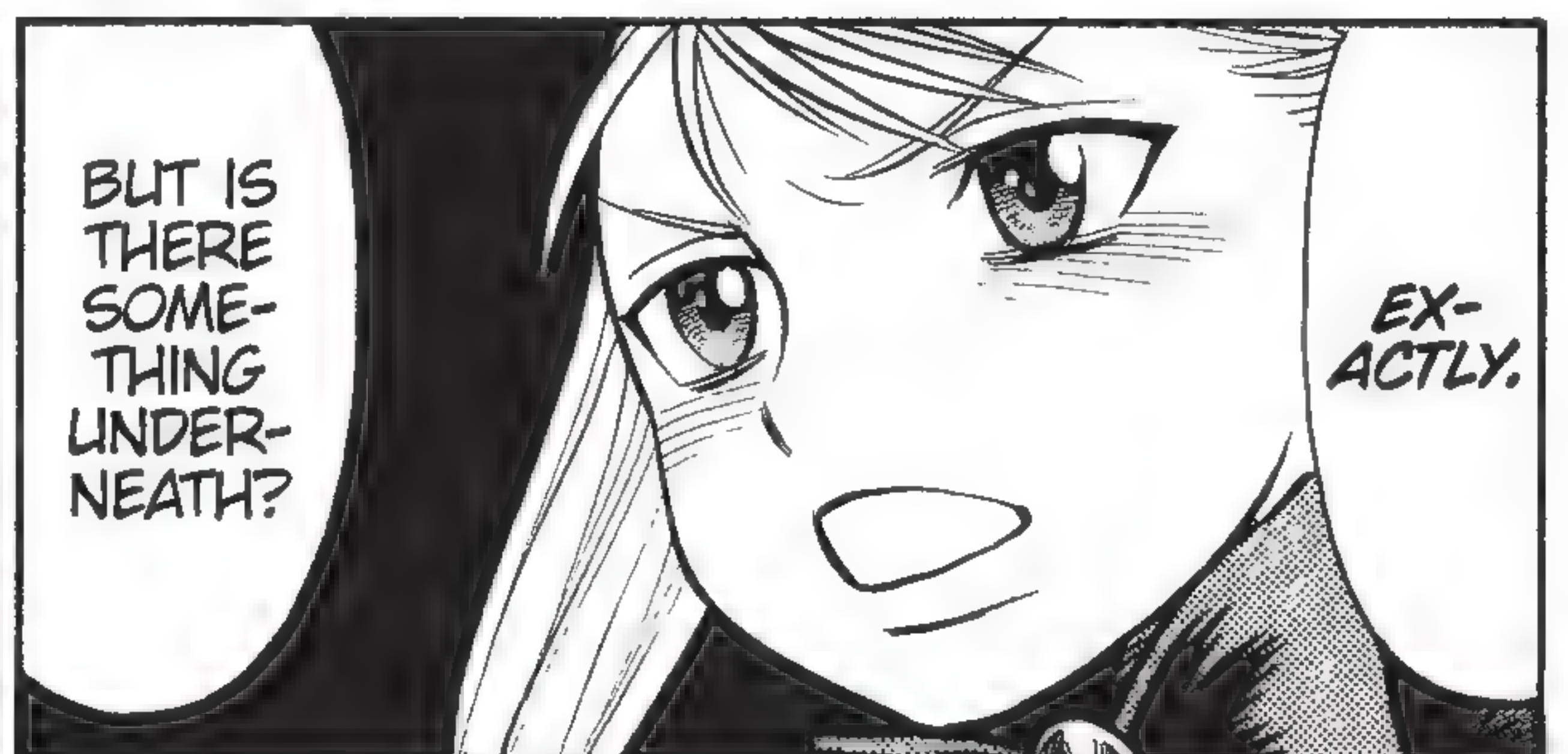
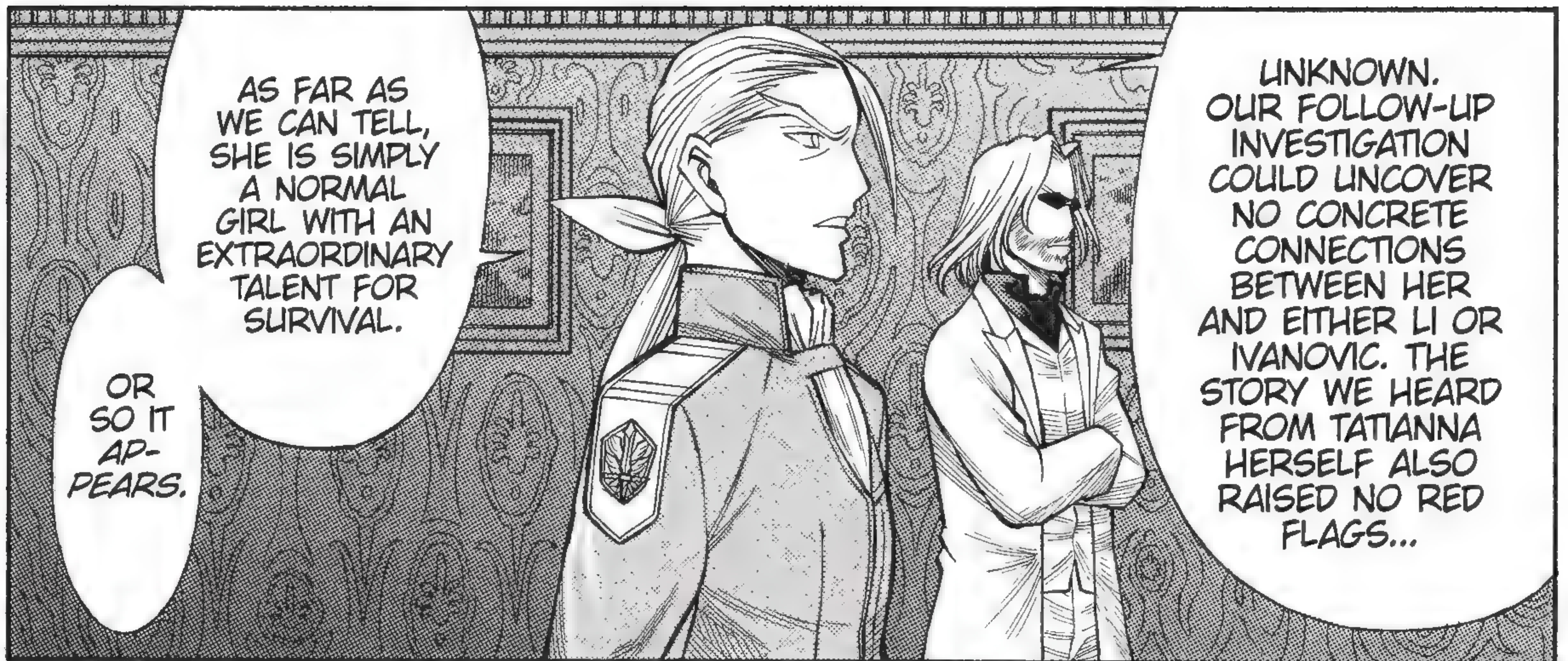
MAY  
COME TO  
SHOW  
US A  
COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT  
PICTURE.



WHY,  
THOUGH?  
WHAT  
COULD  
ANGIE  
POSSIBLY  
WANT WITH  
HER?

SO YOU  
BELIEVE  
SO,  
TOO.

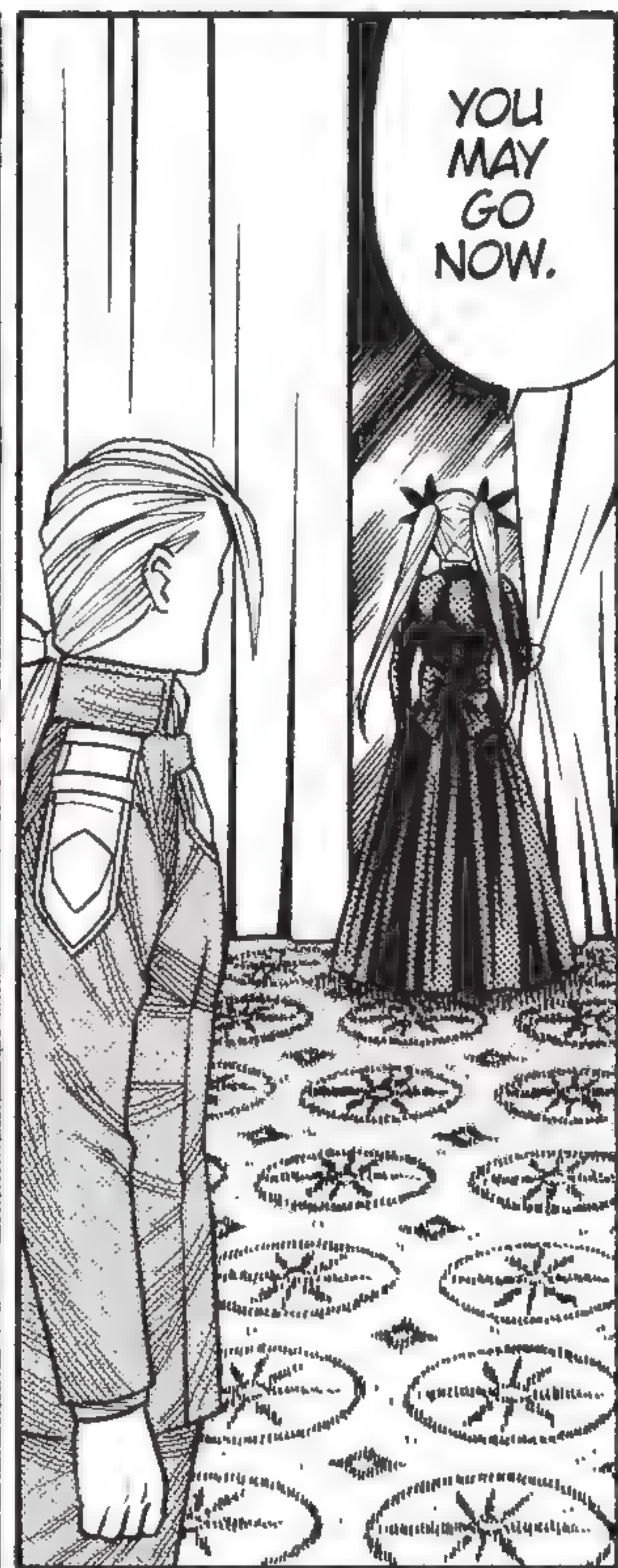
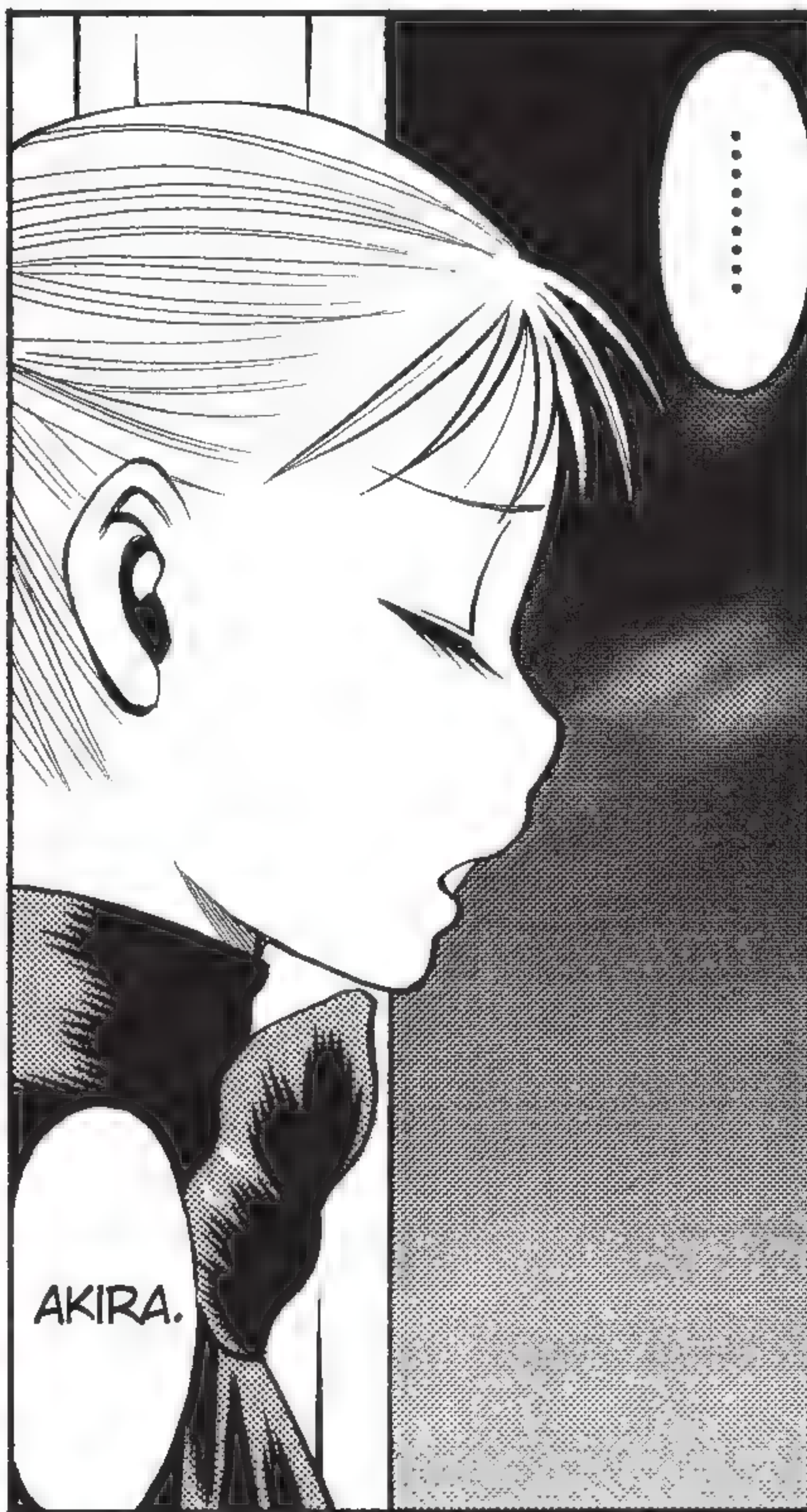
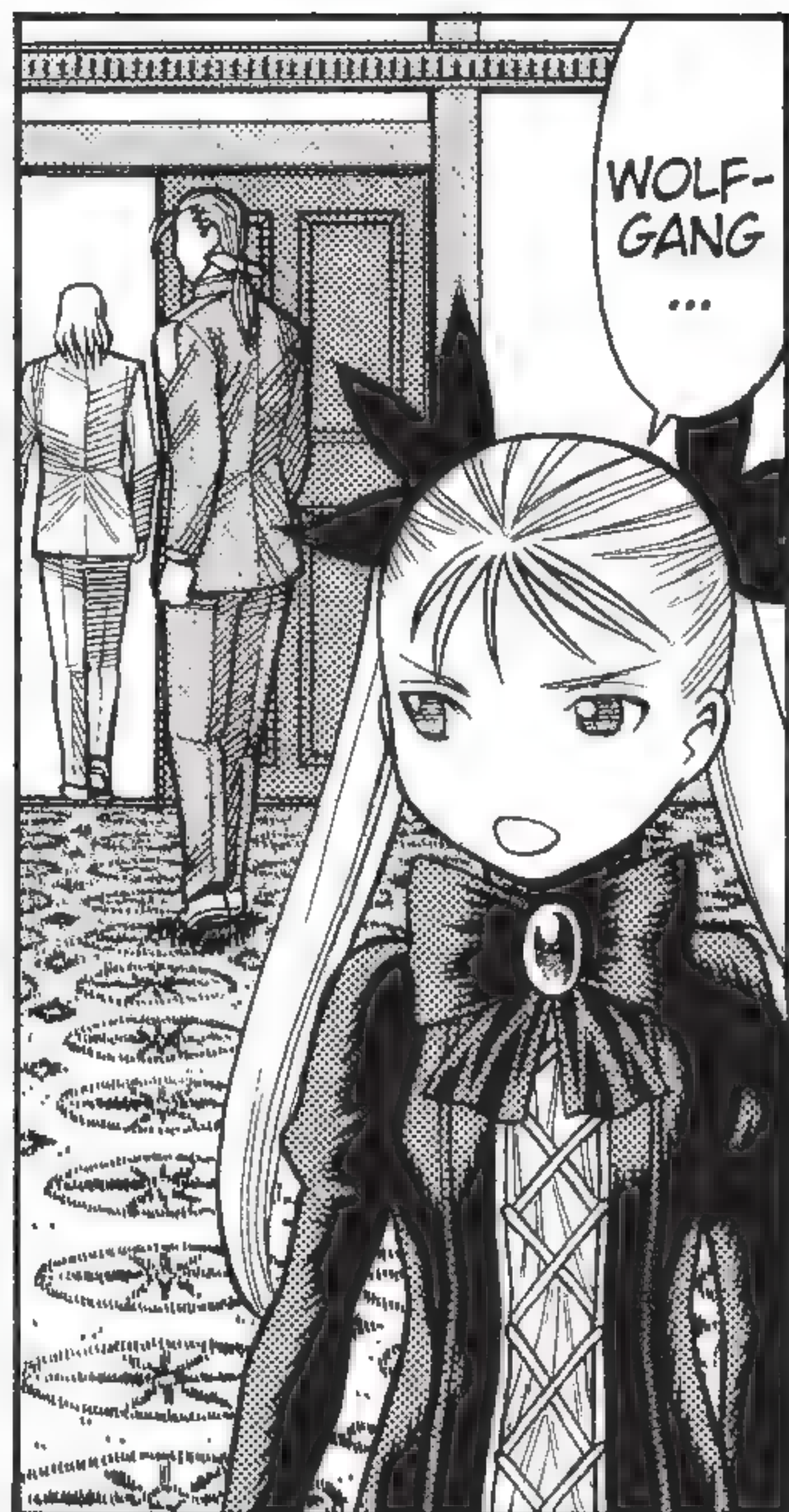
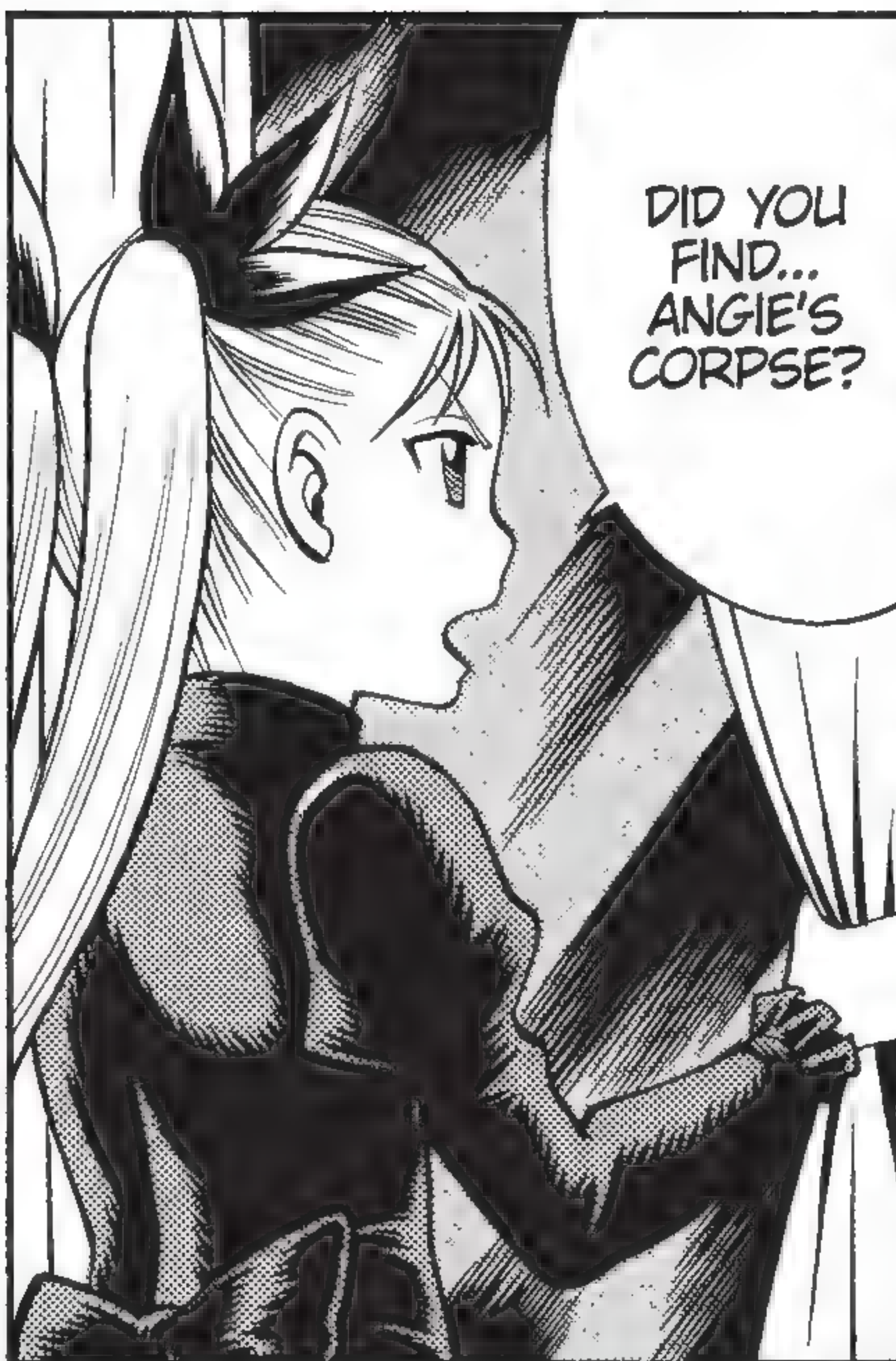




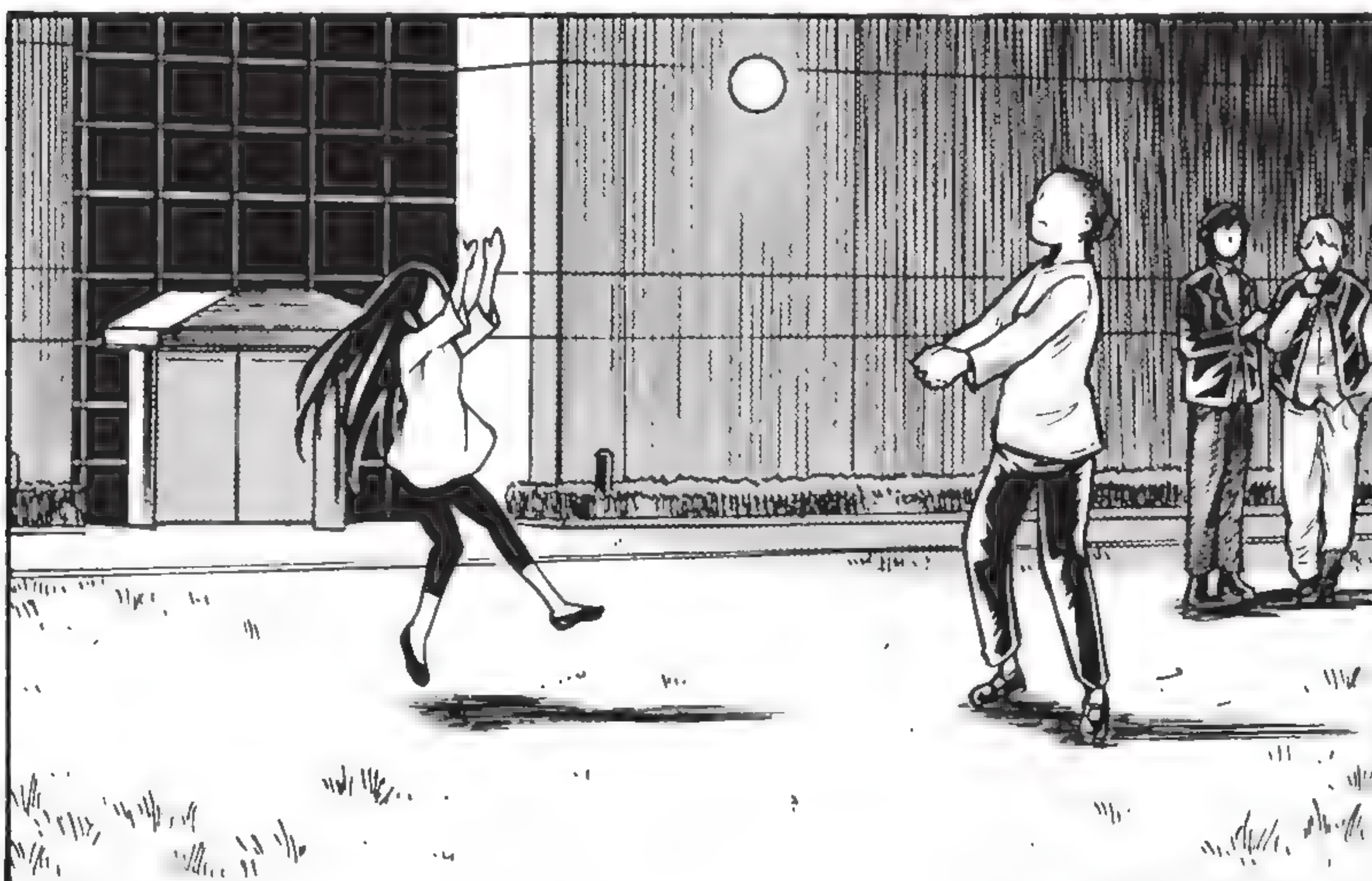
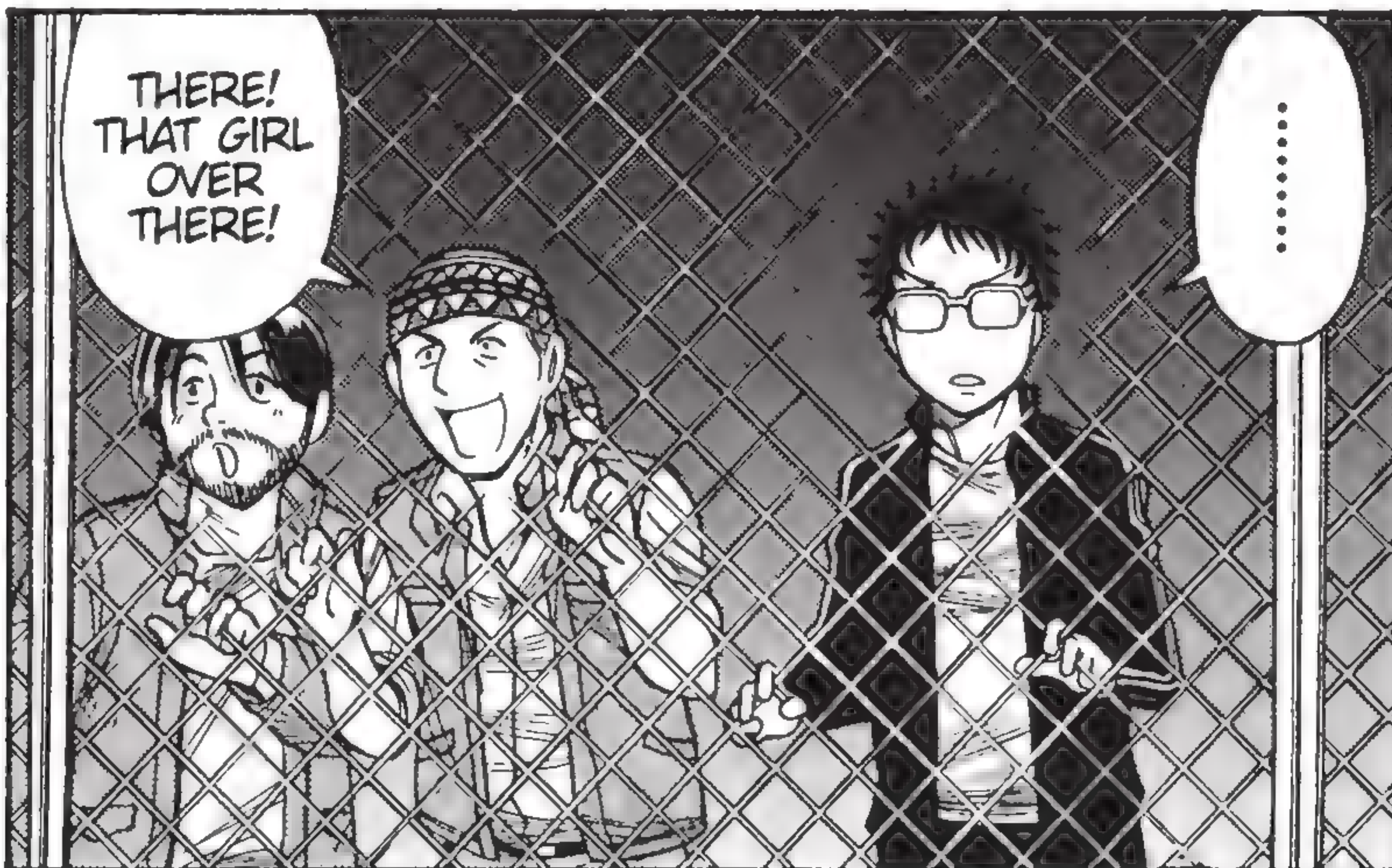
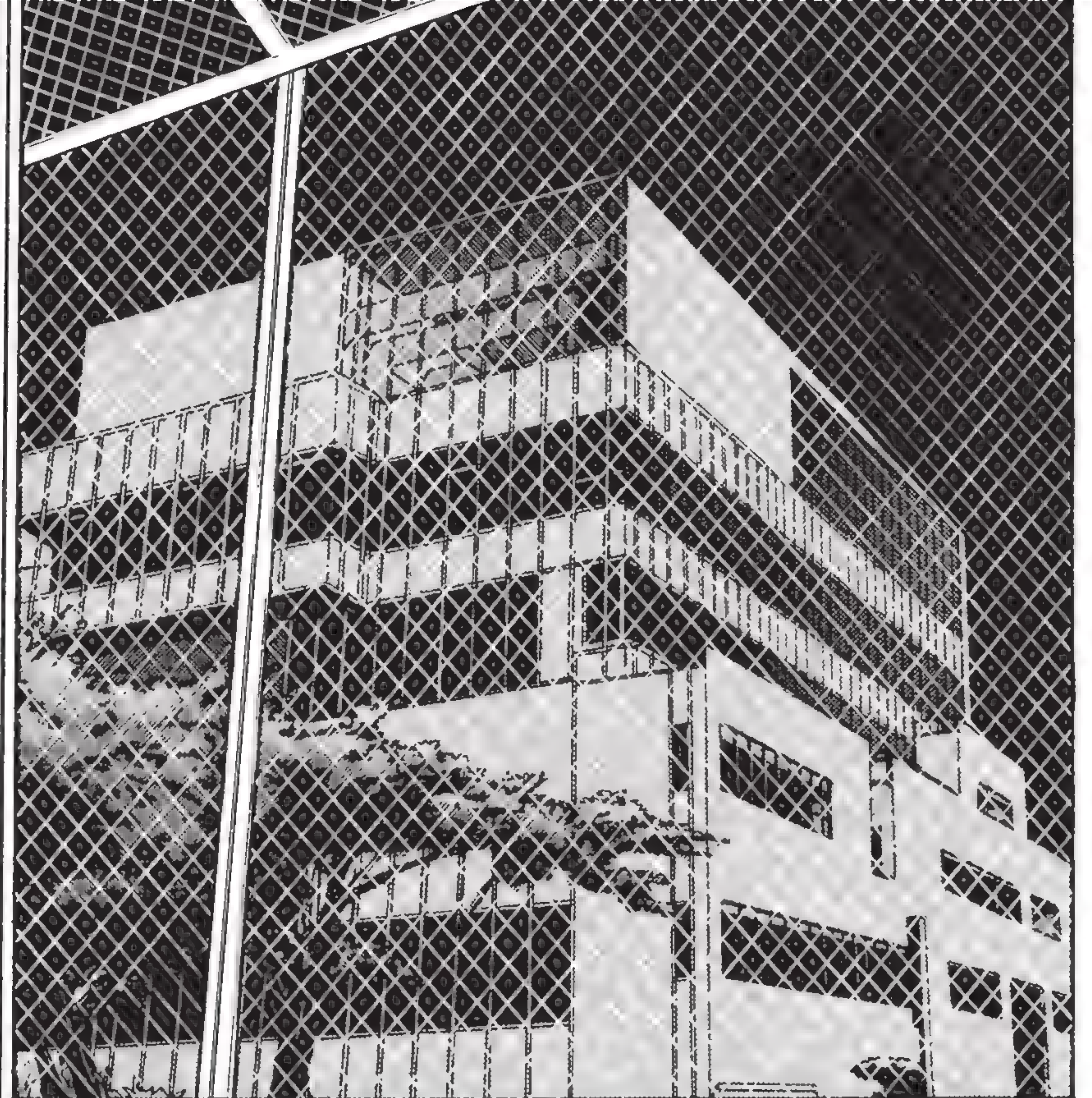




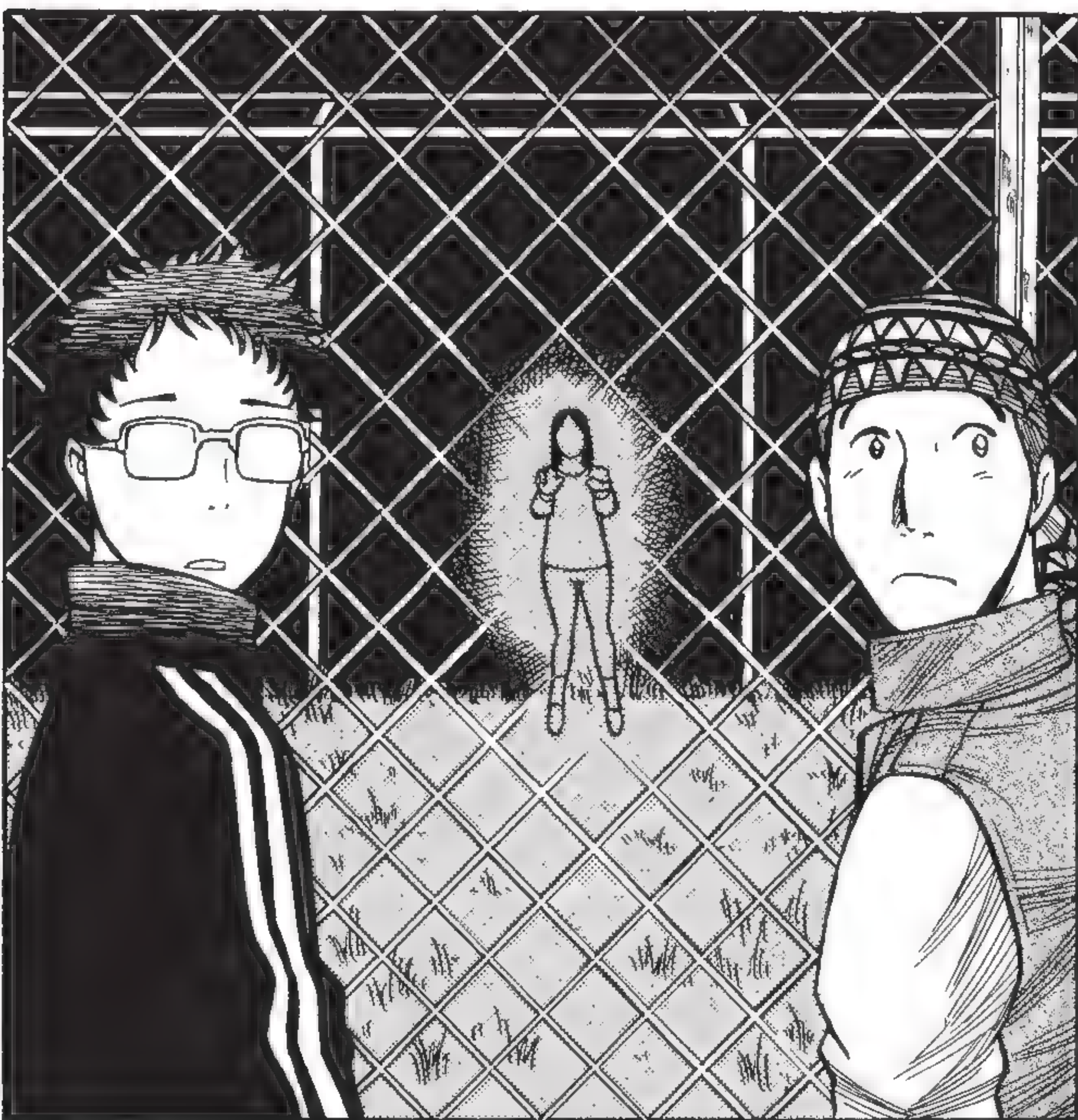
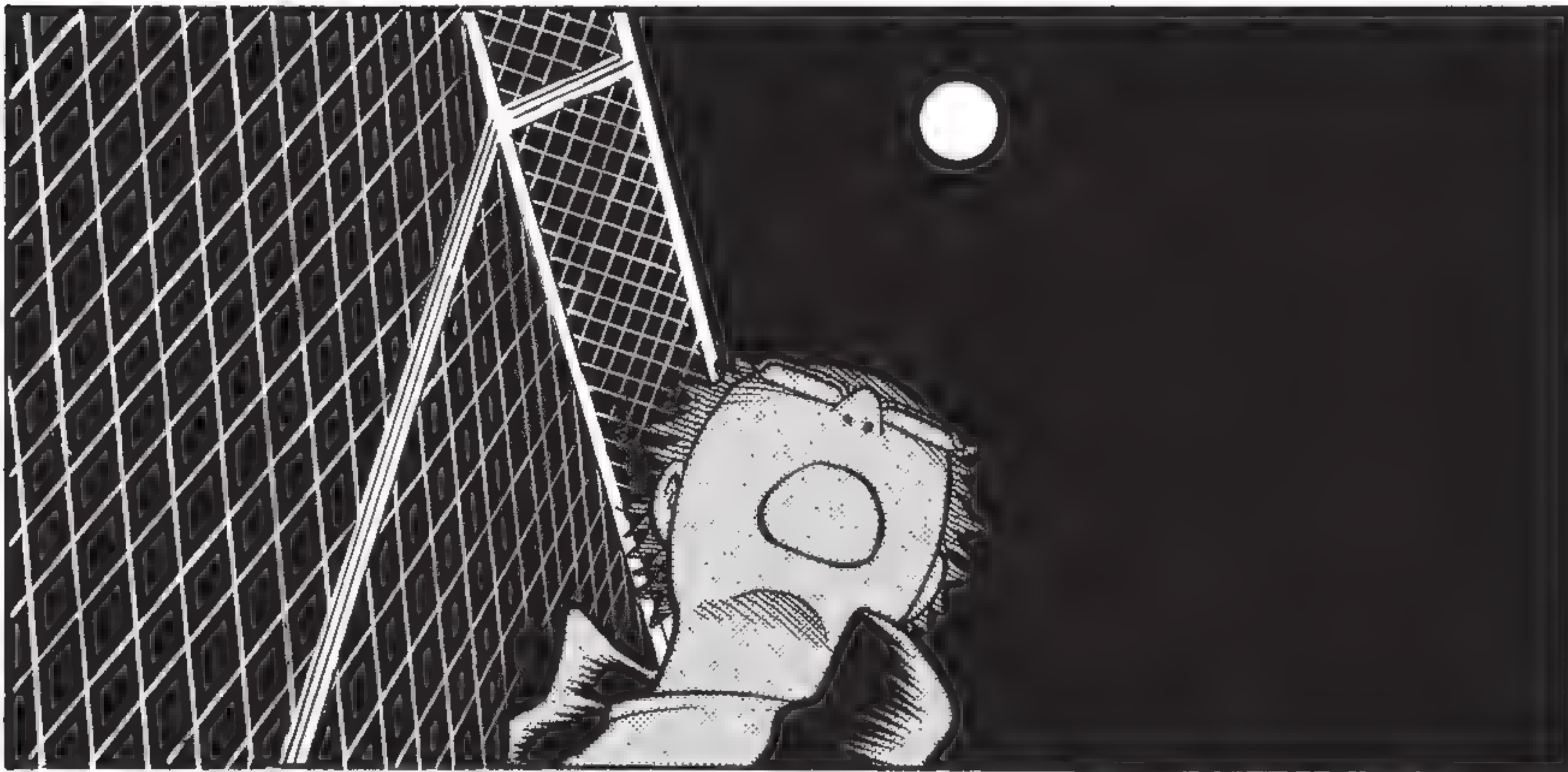
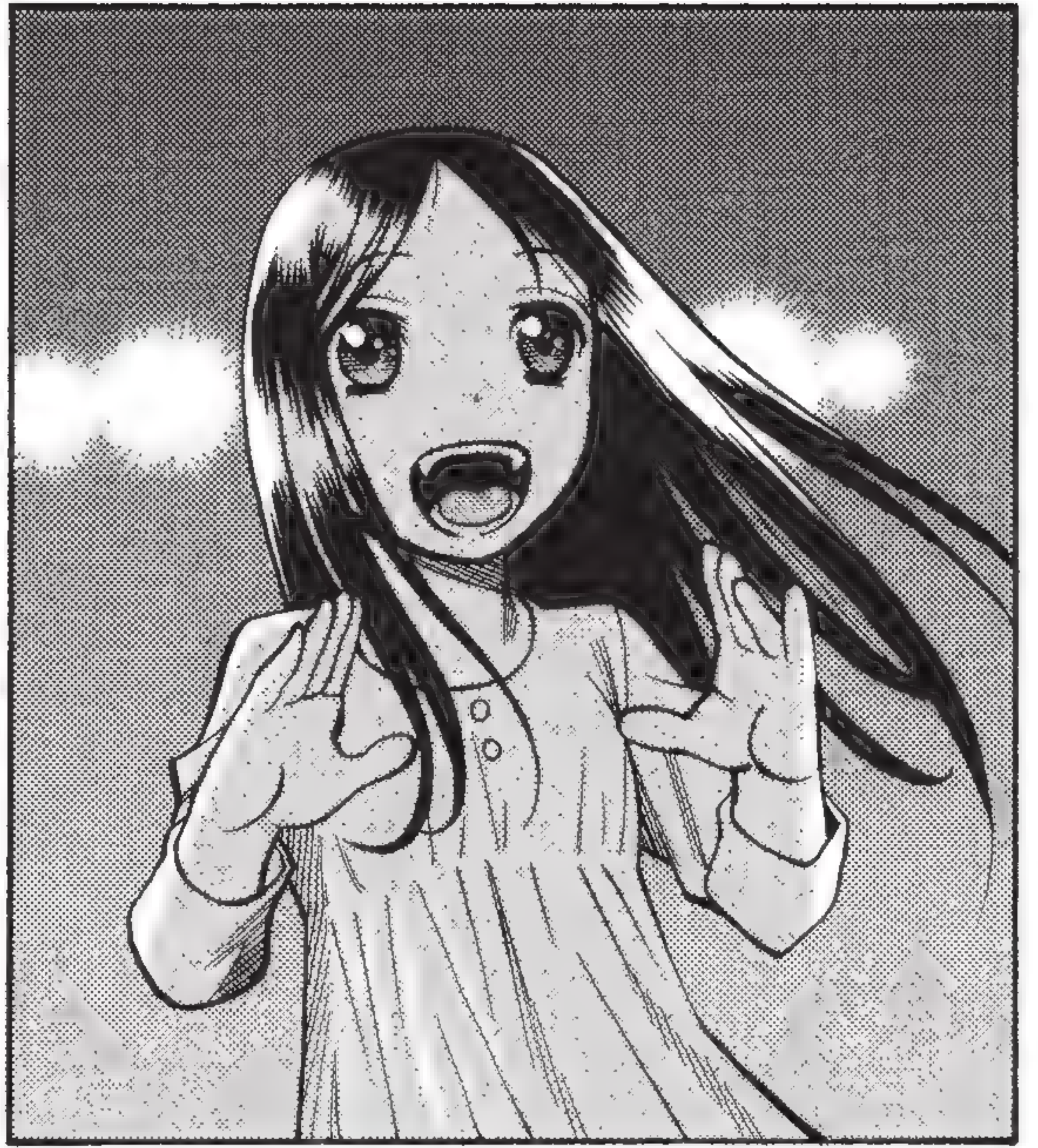
NO, YOUR MAJESTY.



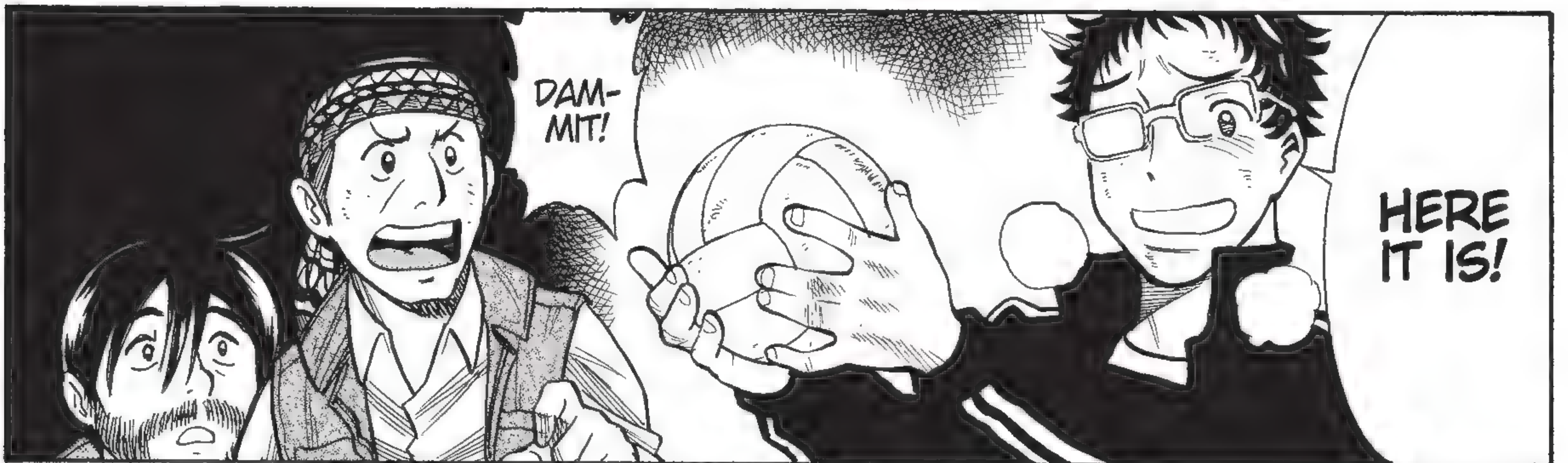
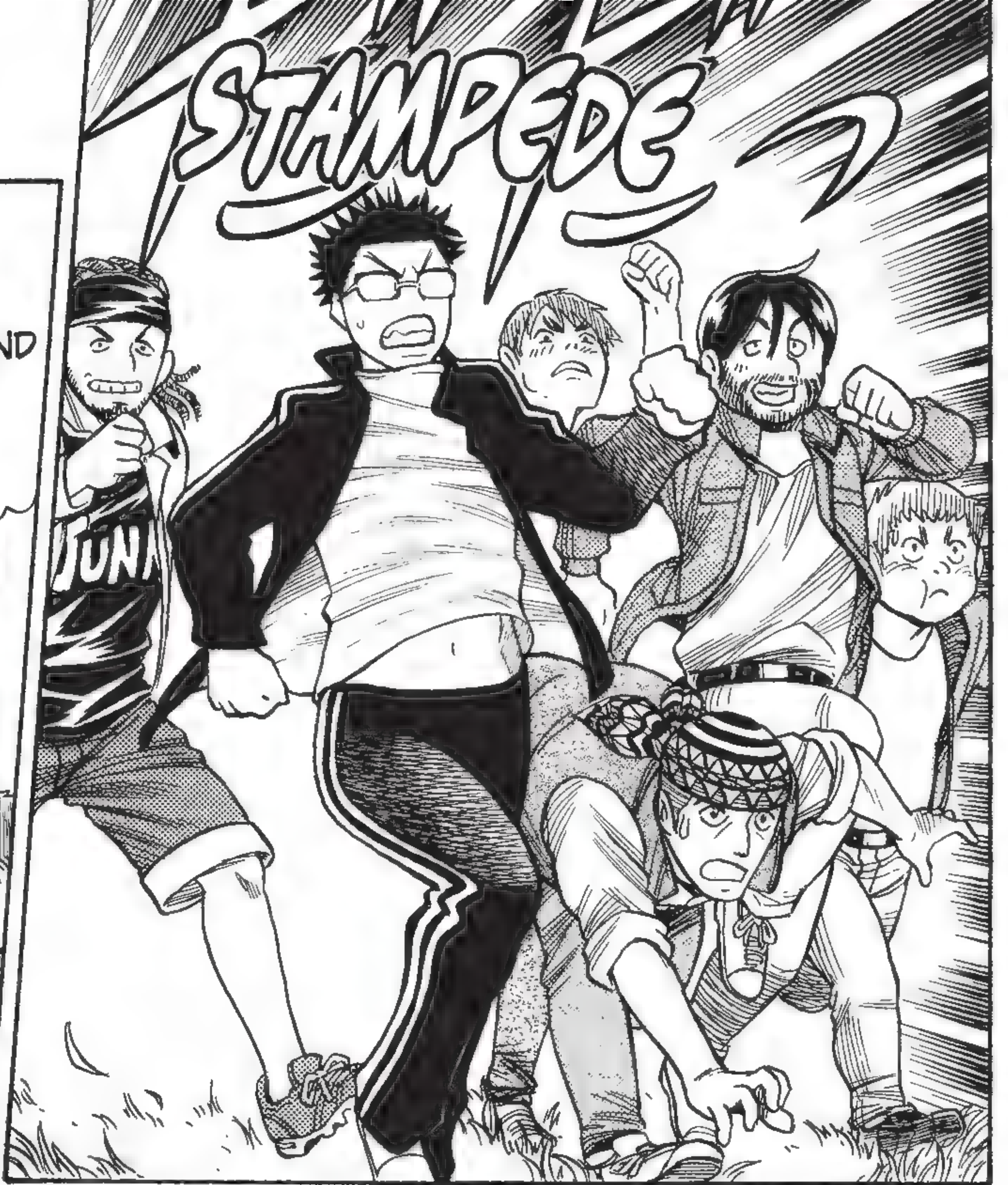
















WE  
WORRIED  
ABOUT  
YOU  
SOME-  
THING  
FIERCE!

SO  
YOU'VE  
BEEN  
CLEARED  
OF ALL  
CHARGES,  
RIGHT?

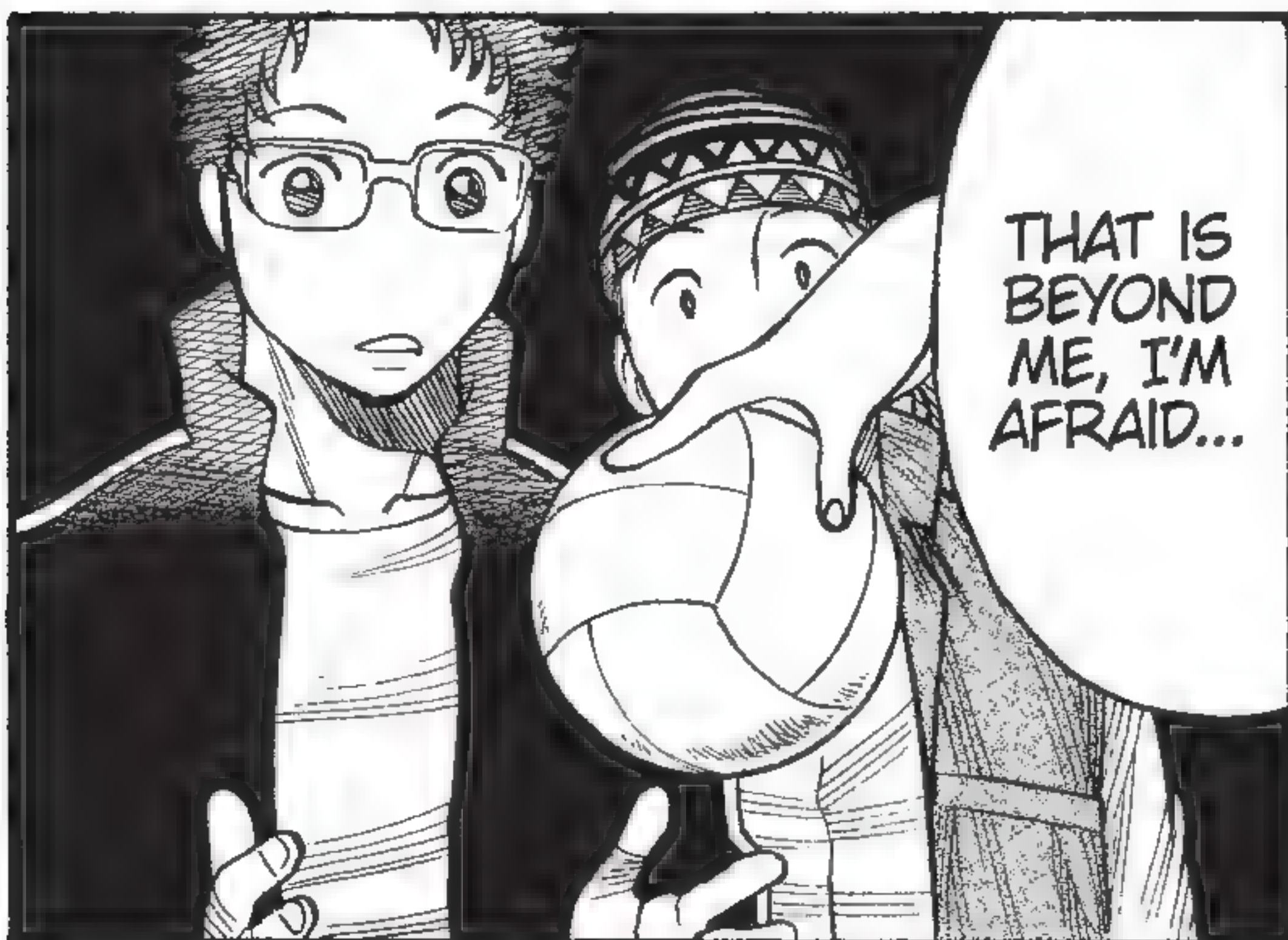
TATI-  
ANNA!

AWESOME!  
YOU'RE  
OKAY!!

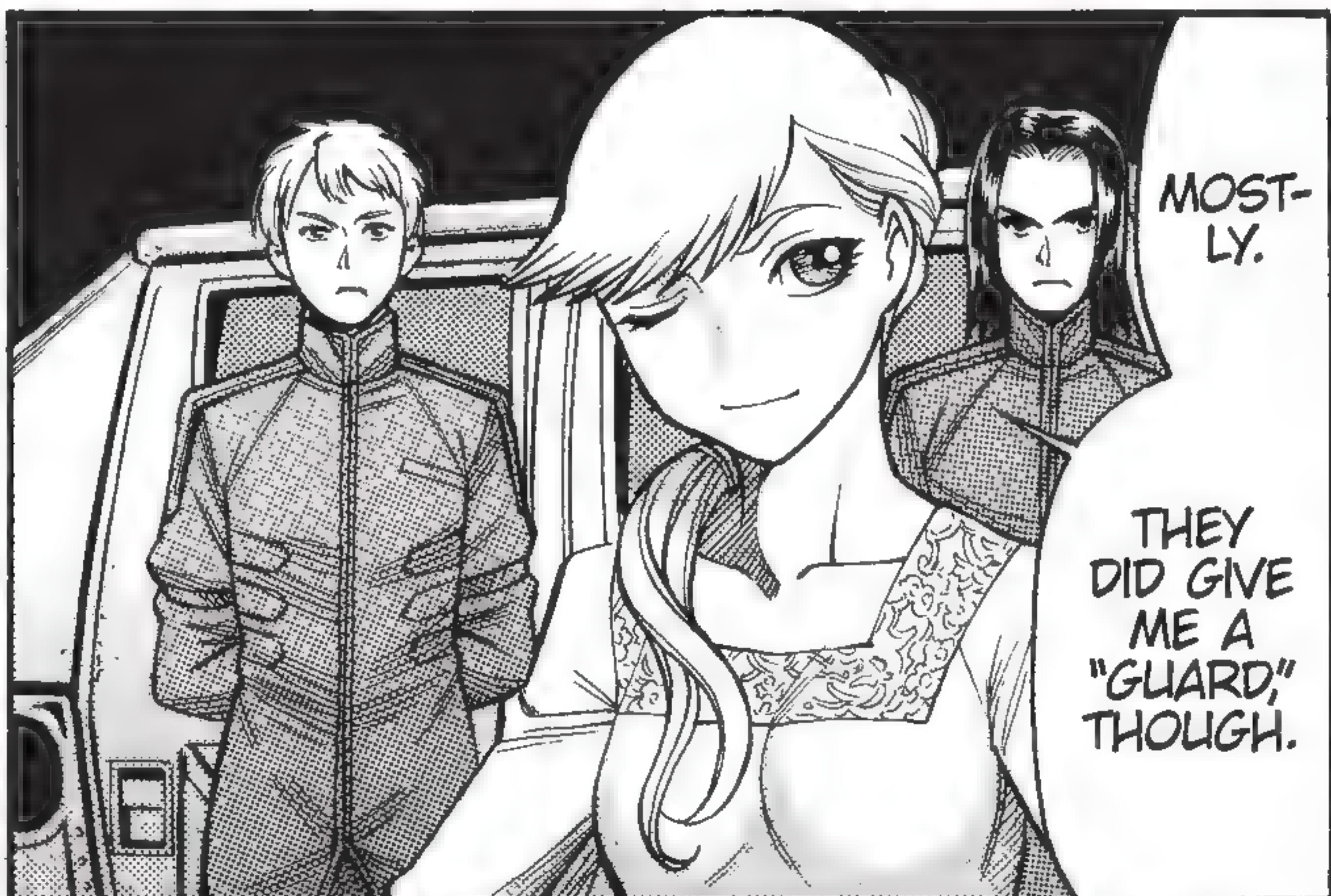


GUYS!

SHIGERU  
!

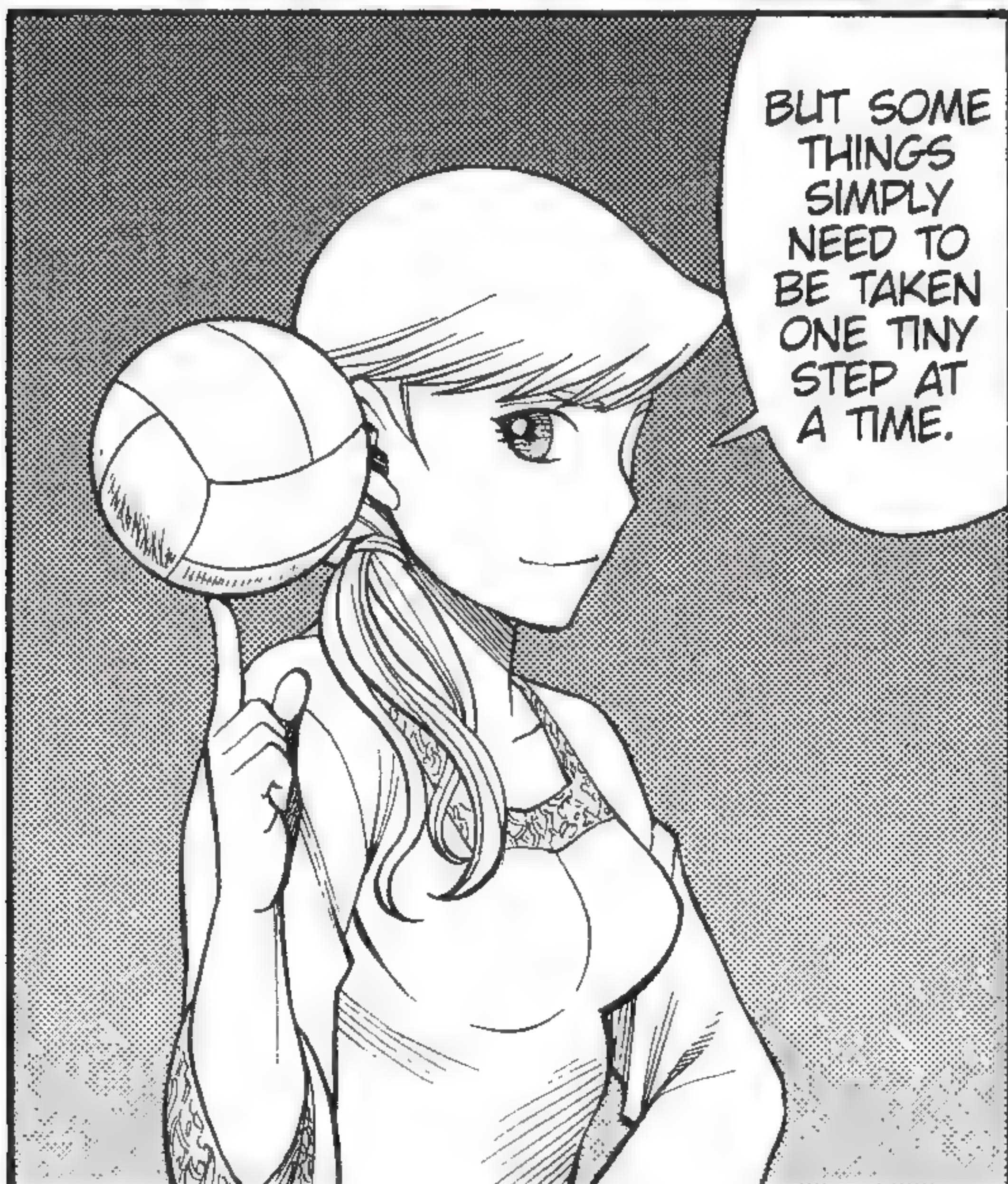


THAT IS  
BEYOND  
ME, I'M  
AFRAID...



MOST-  
LY.

THEY  
DID GIVE  
ME A  
"GUARD,"  
THOUGH.



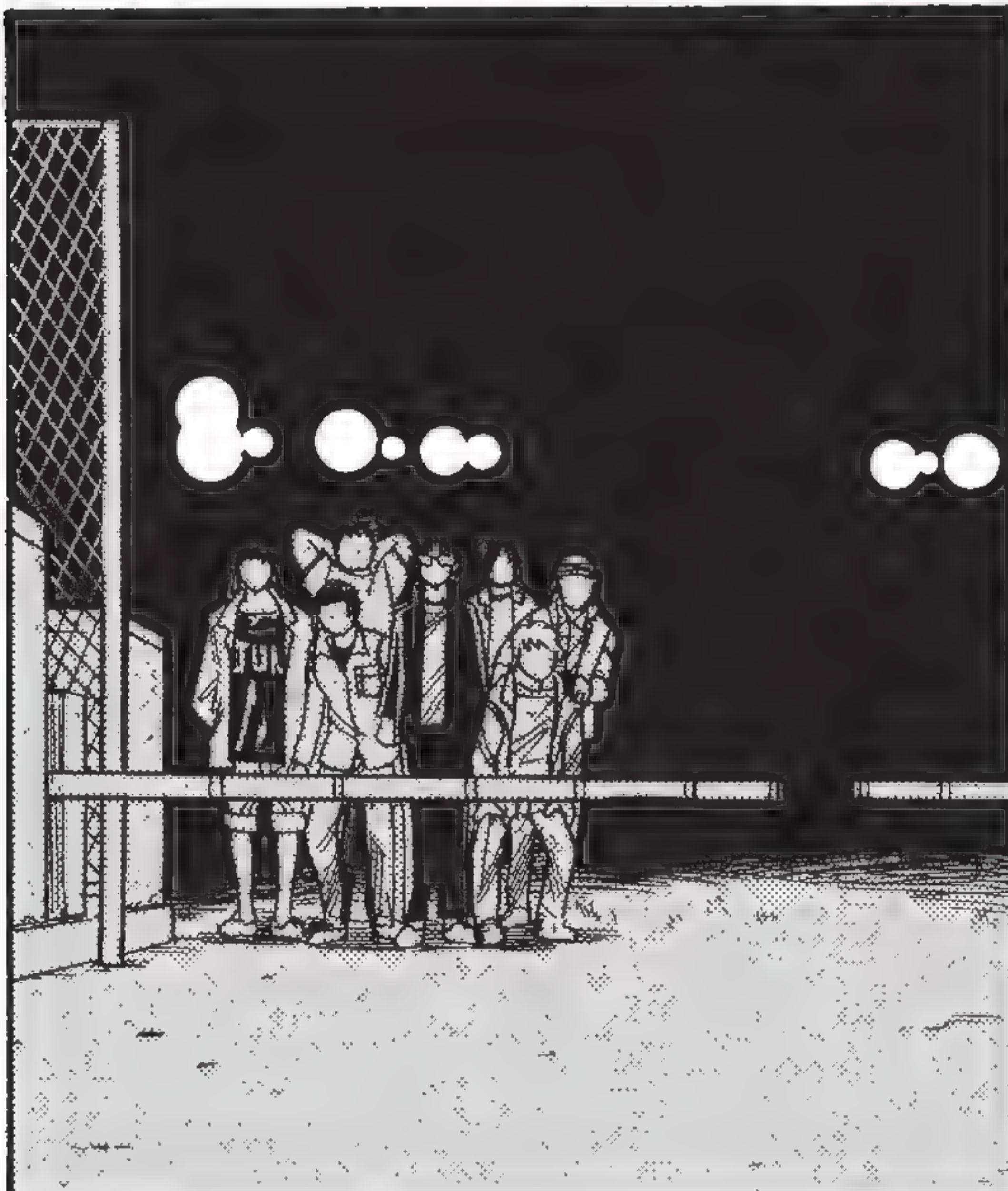
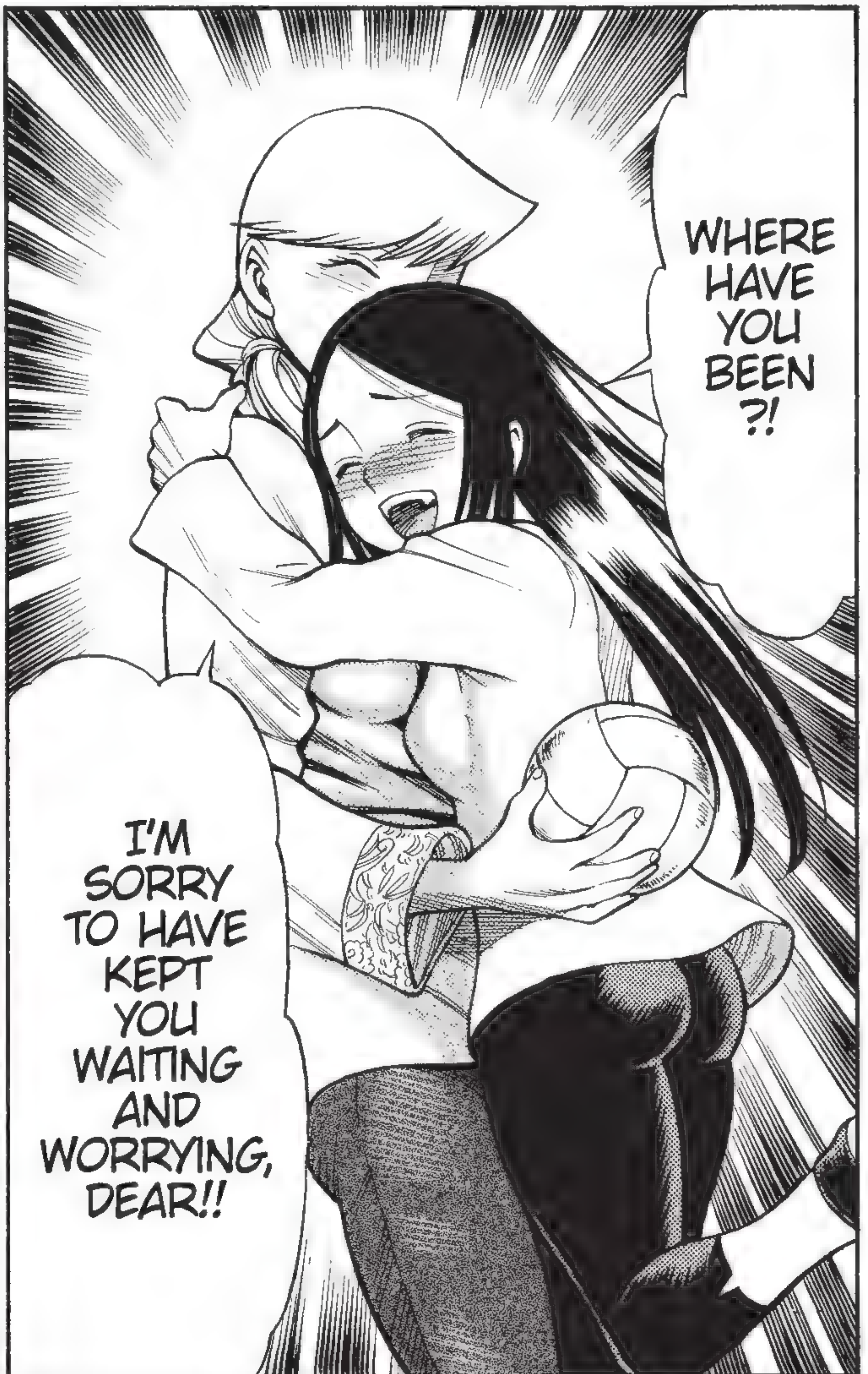
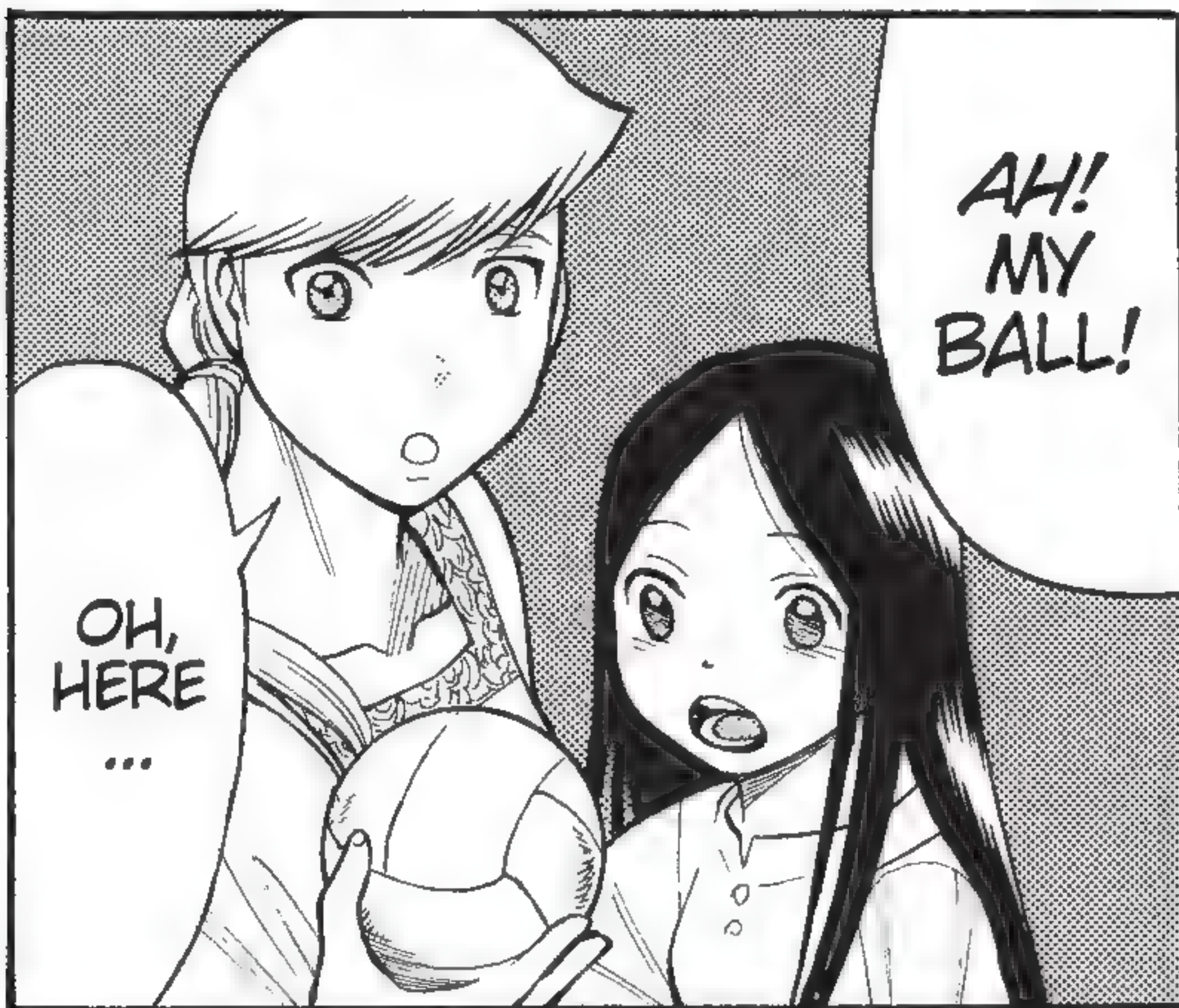
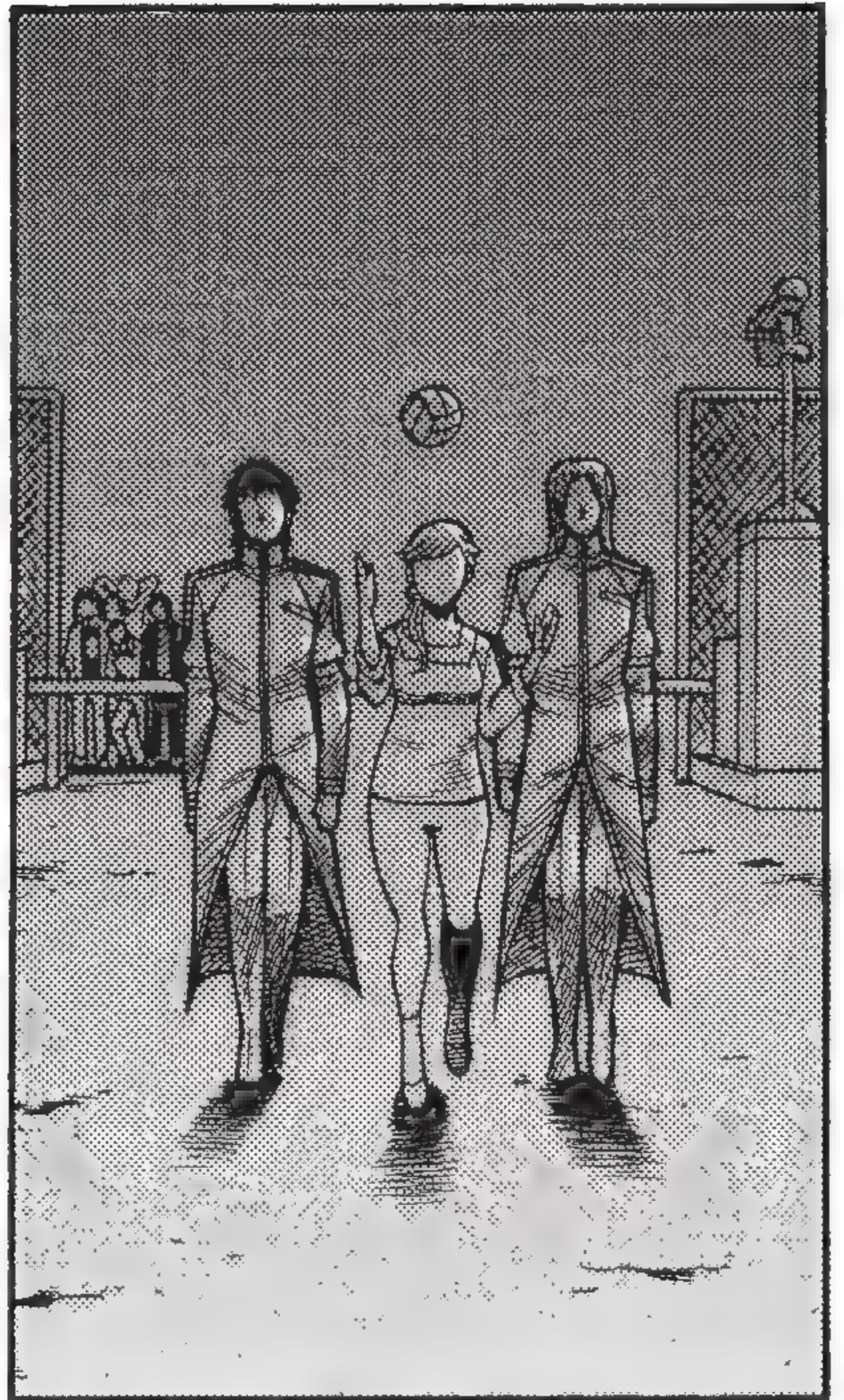
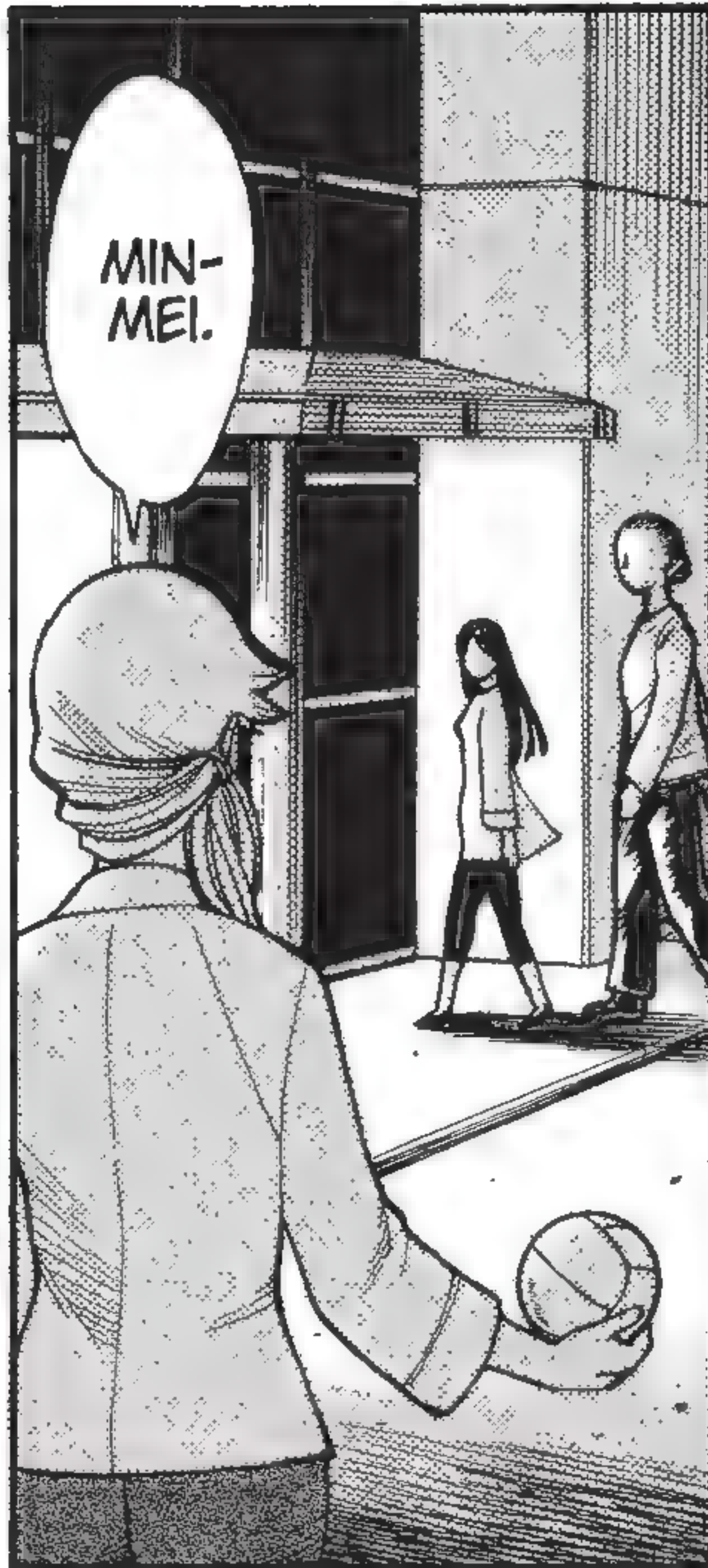
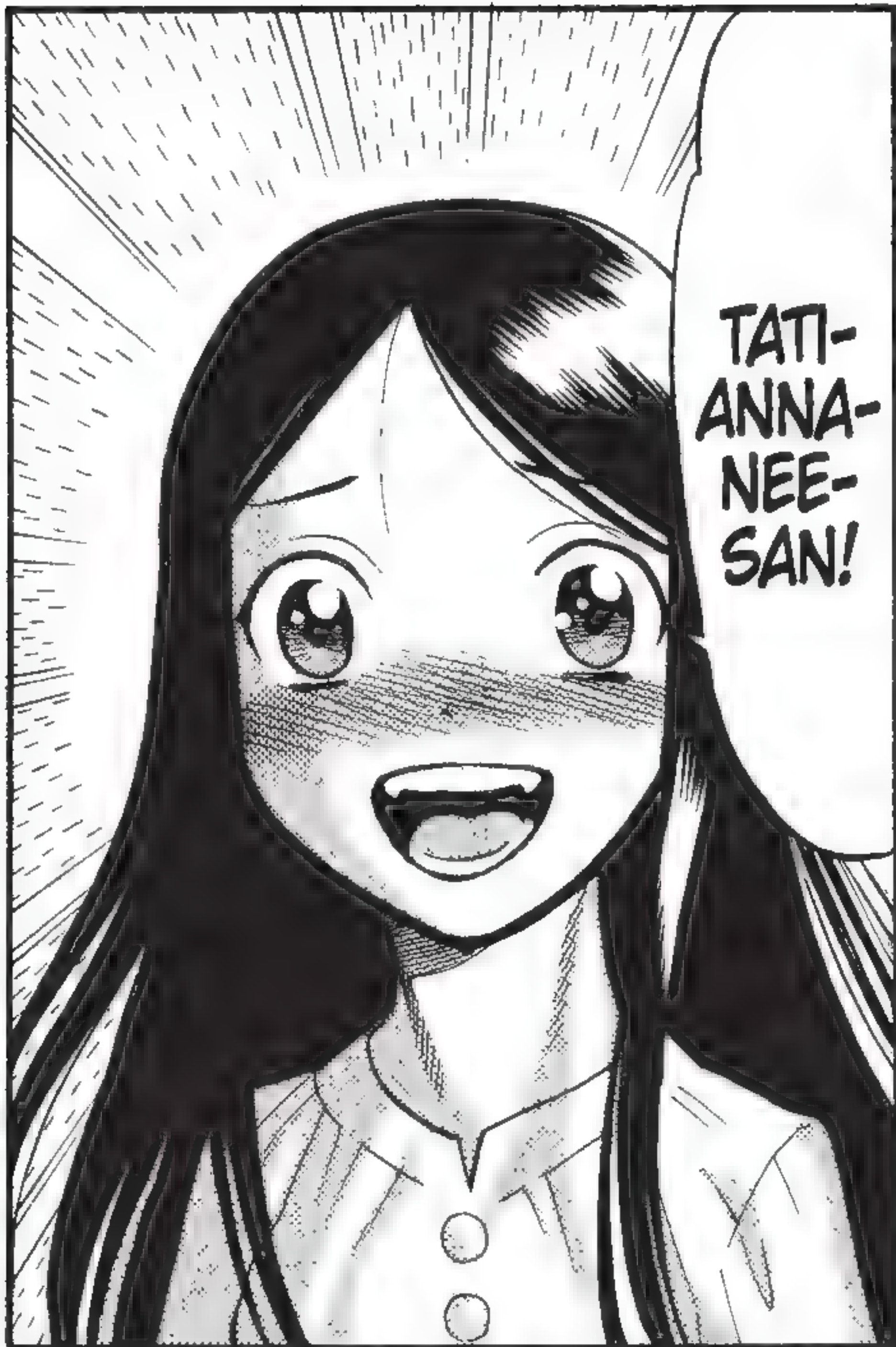
BUT SOME  
THINGS  
SIMPLY  
NEED TO  
BE TAKEN  
ONE TINY  
STEP AT  
A TIME.



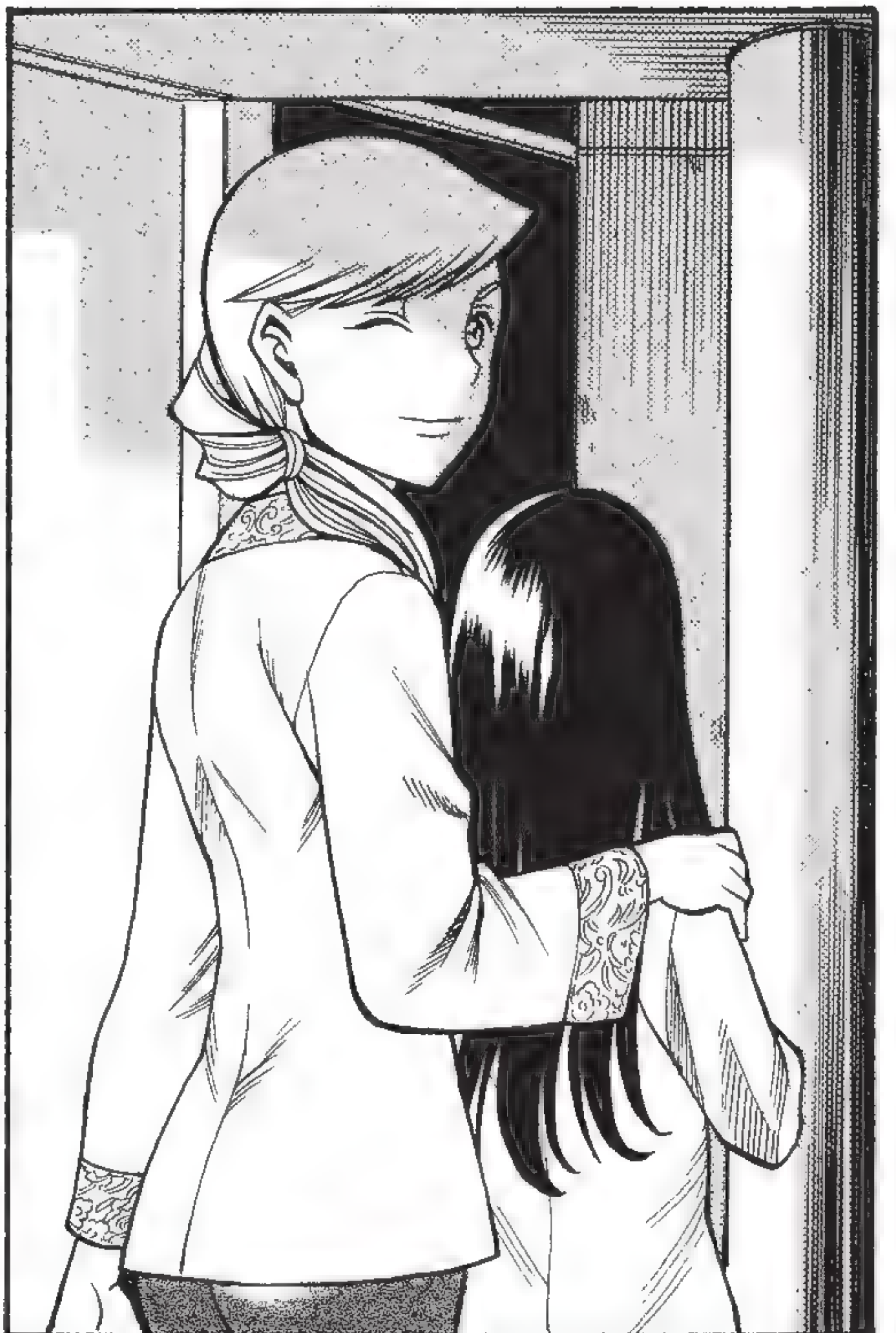
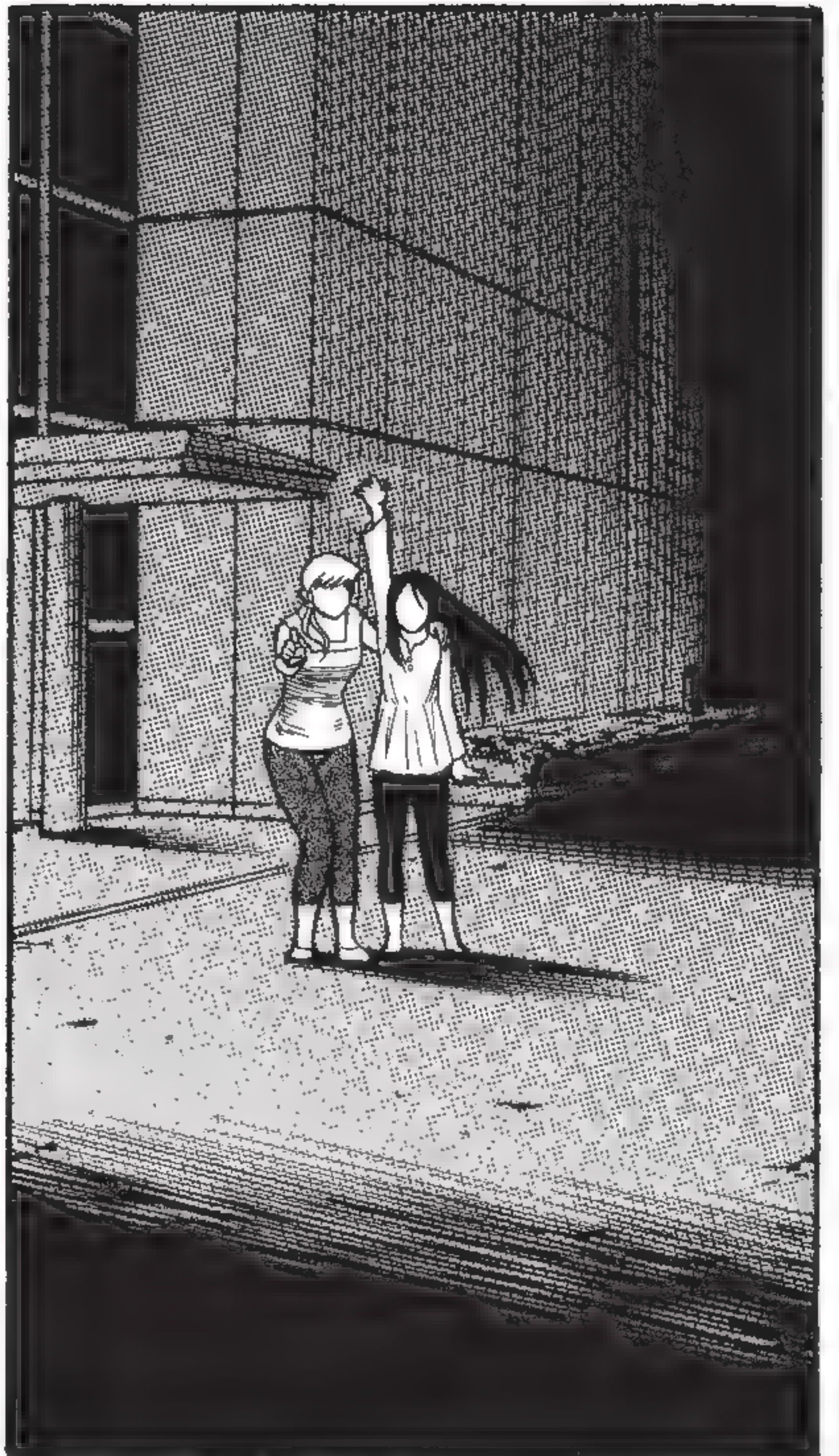
WELL,  
IF YOU  
REALLY  
THINK SO,  
THEN WHY  
DON'TCHA  
DO  
SOMETHING  
TO GET US  
INTO THE  
BLIND?

BE THAT  
AS IT MAY,  
THAT I  
GOT THIS  
FAR AT  
ALL IS  
THANKS  
TO YOU.  
I OWE  
YOU ALL  
A LOT.









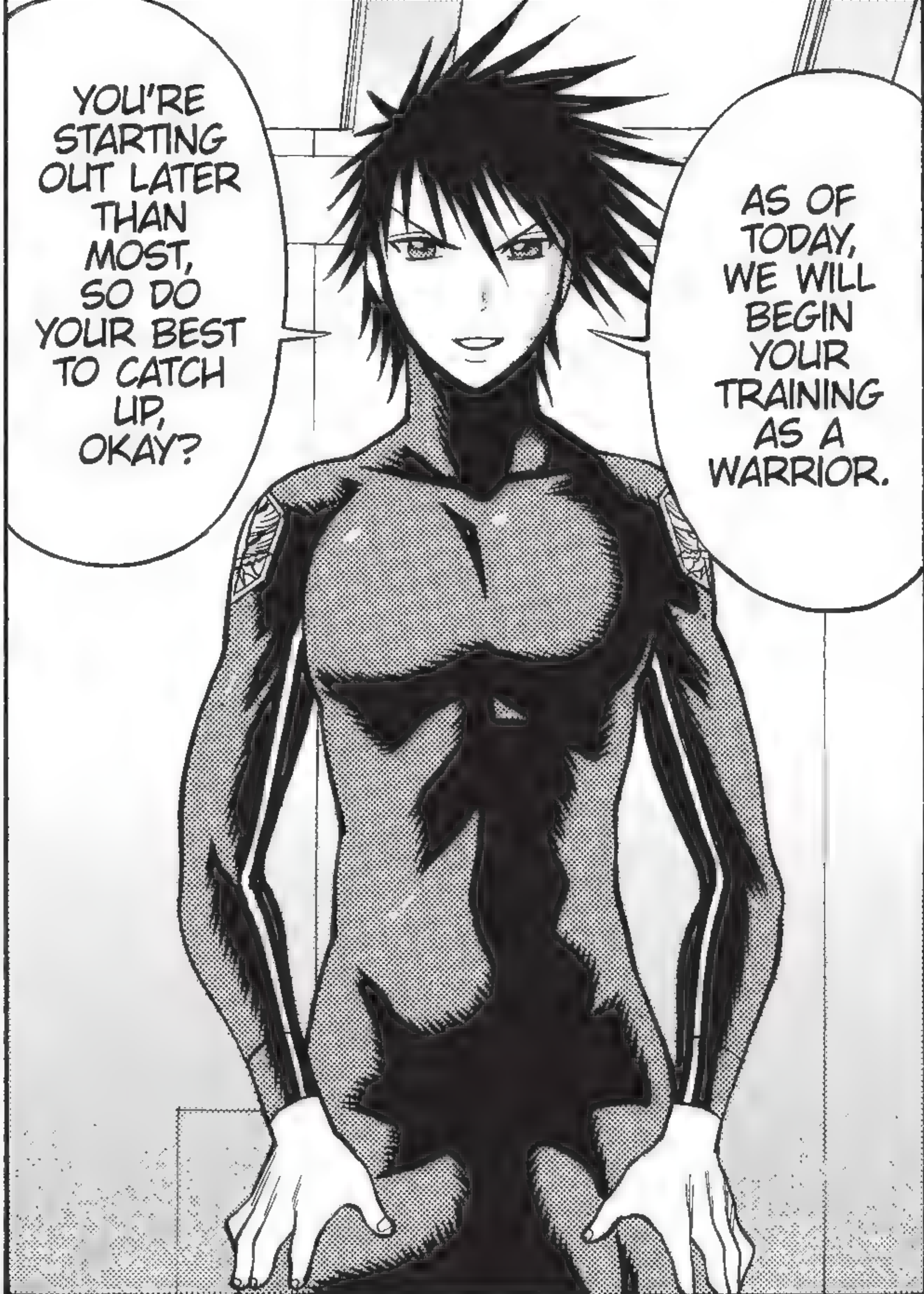




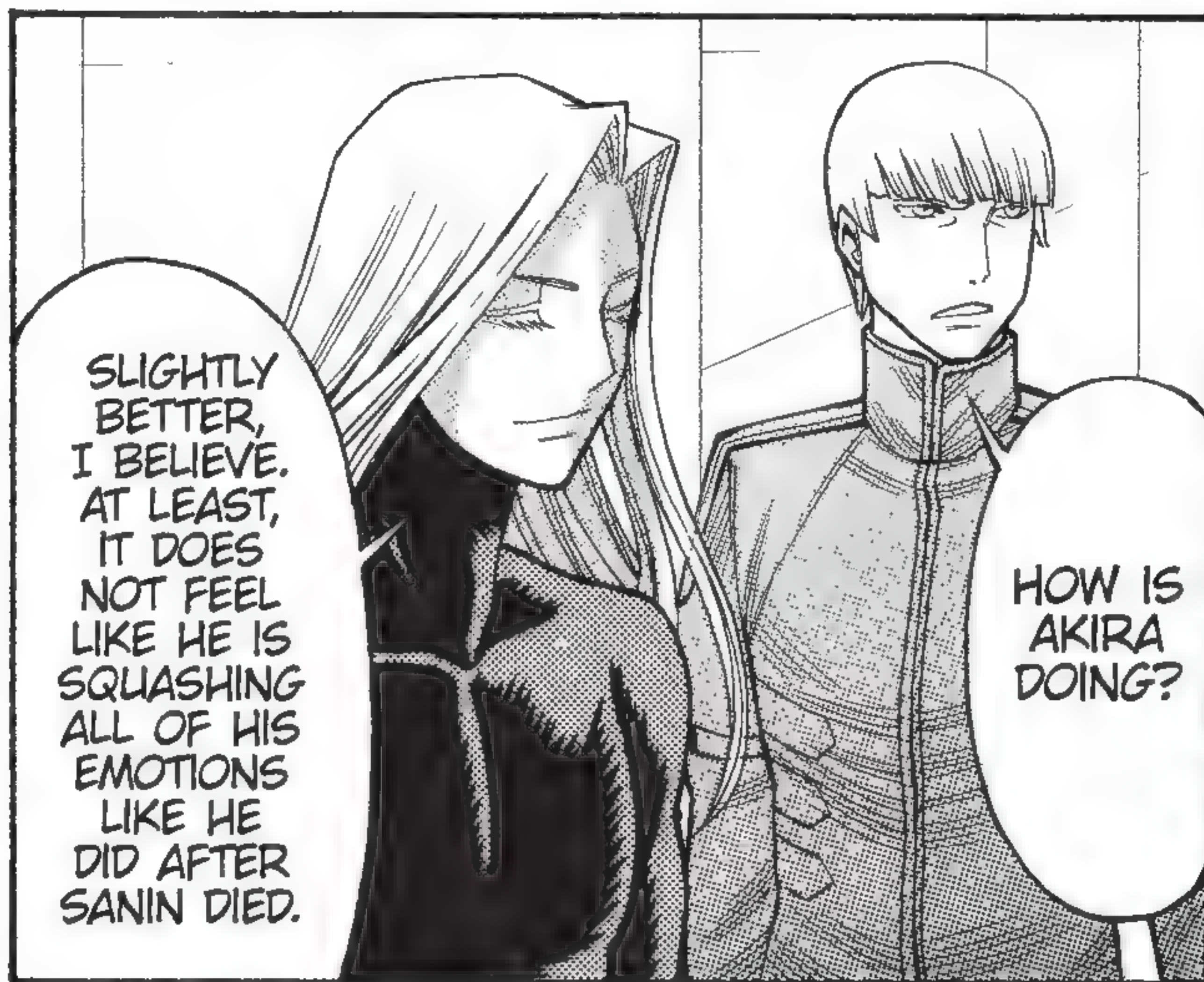
OOPS!  
I MEAN,  
SHISHO  
!!

OKAY,  
ONII-  
CHA--

YOU'RE  
STARTING  
OUT LATER  
THAN  
MOST,  
SO DO  
YOUR BEST  
TO CATCH  
UP,  
OKAY?



AS OF  
TODAY,  
WE WILL  
BEGIN  
YOUR  
TRAINING  
AS A  
WARRIOR.



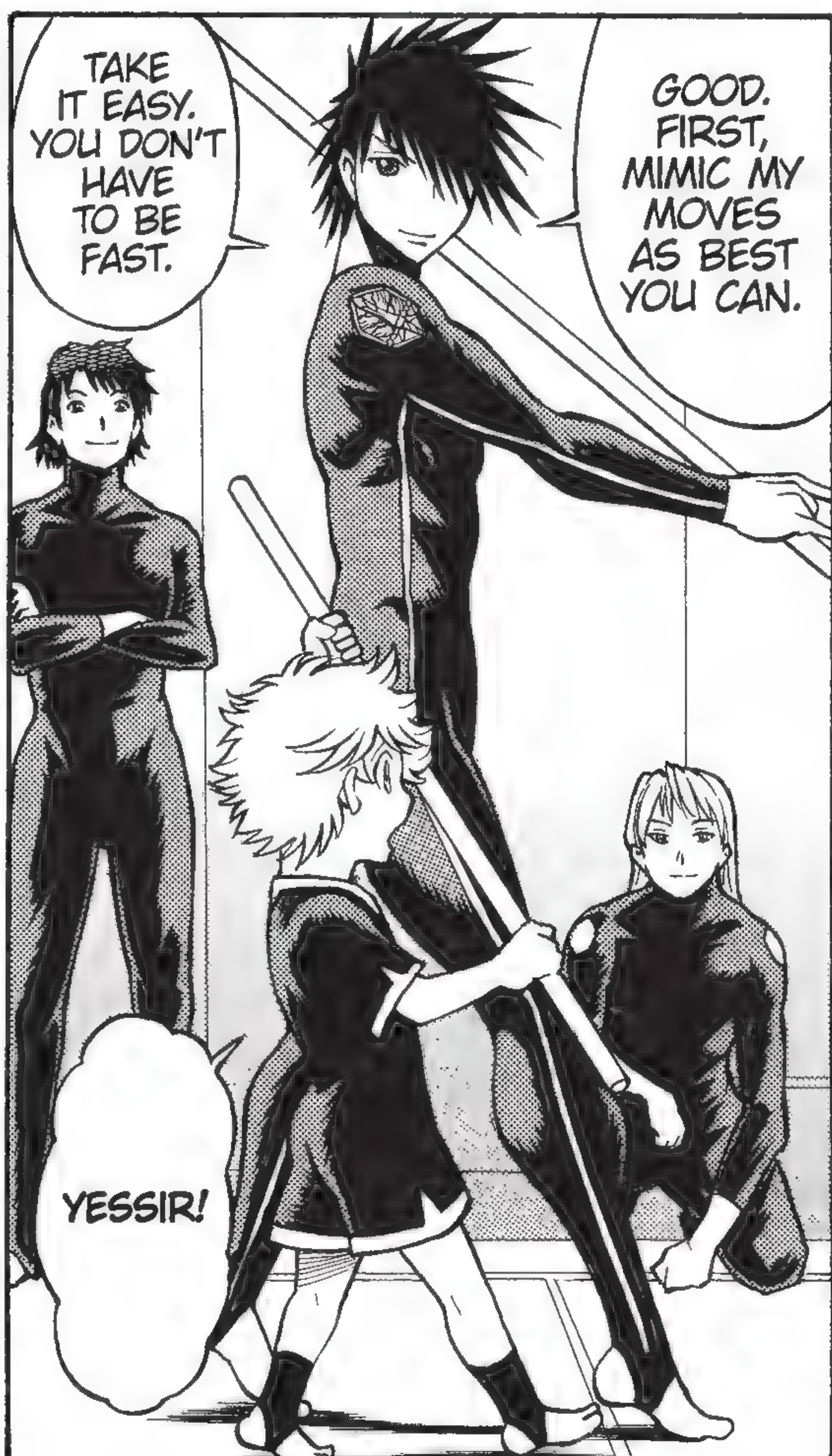
SLIGHTLY  
BETTER,  
I BELIEVE.  
AT LEAST,  
IT DOES  
NOT FEEL  
LIKE HE IS  
SQUASHING  
ALL OF HIS  
EMOTIONS  
LIKE HE  
DID AFTER  
SANIN DIED.

HOW IS  
AKIRA  
DOING?



LITTLE  
YUHI  
HELPS  
HIM.

HAVING  
THE BOY  
TO TEACH  
AND GUIDE  
SEEMS  
TO BE  
SOOTHING  
FOR HIM.

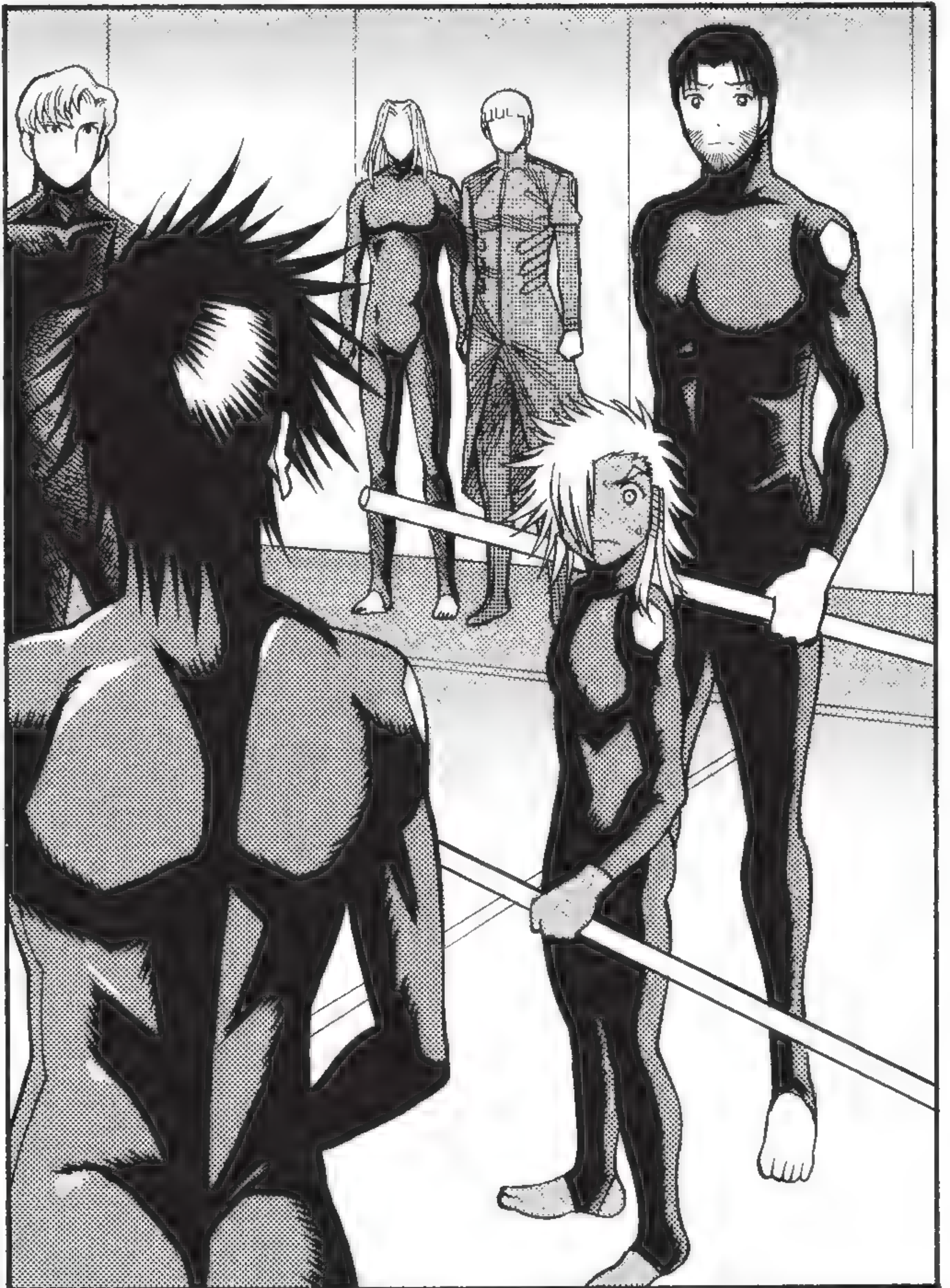
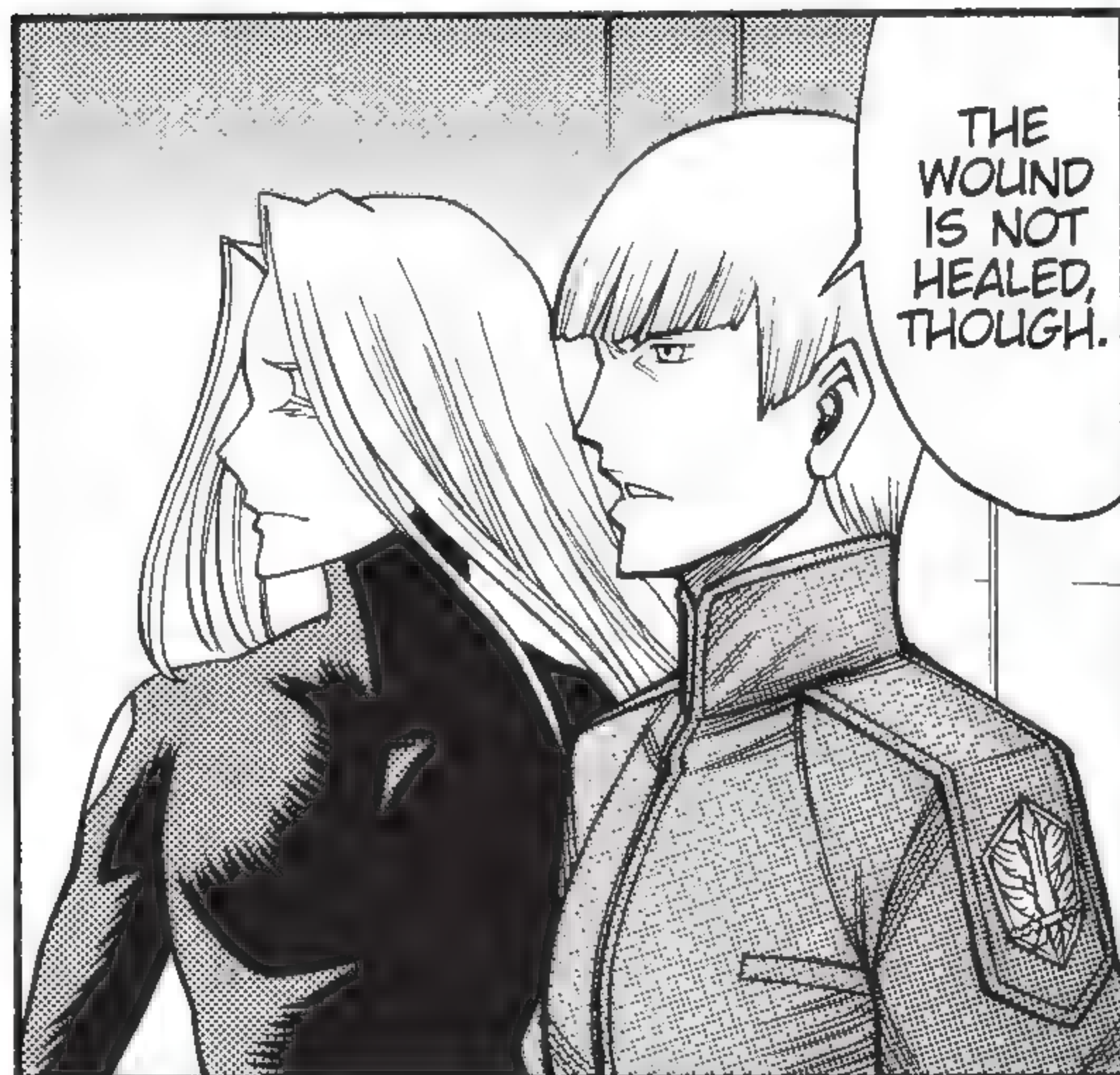
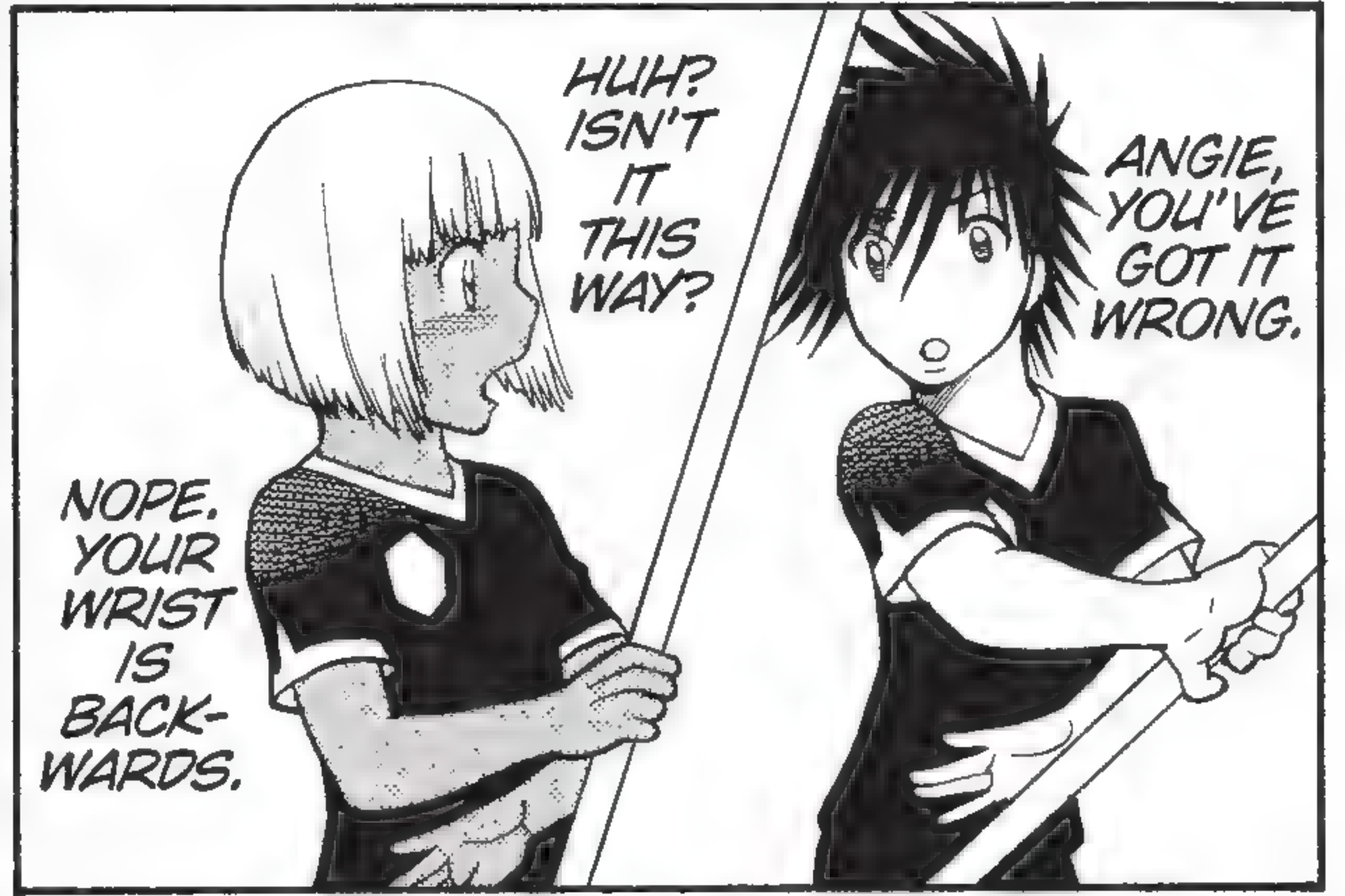


TAKE  
IT EASY.  
YOU DON'T  
HAVE  
TO BE  
FAST.

GOOD.  
FIRST,  
MIMIC MY  
MOVES  
AS BEST  
YOU CAN.

YESSIR!









HEY!  
QUIT  
JABBIN'  
AT OLD  
WOUNDS,  
ALL  
RIGHT?

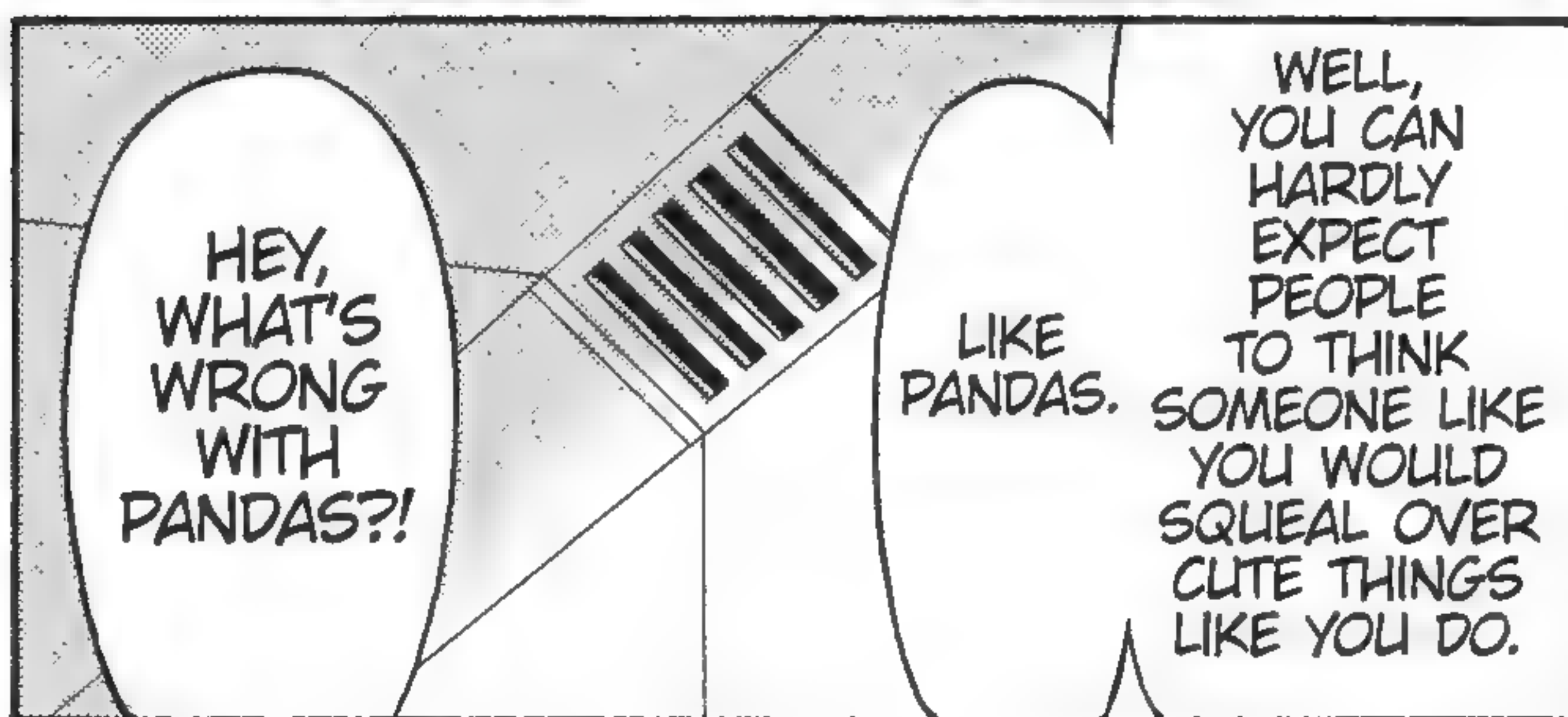
ANNA-  
CHAN IS  
STILL  
DEATHLY  
AFRAID  
OF YOU  
BECAUSE  
OF THAT,  
YOU  
KNOW...

DO KEEP  
CONTROL  
OF  
YOURSELF,  
WOULD  
YOU?  
NO SUDDEN  
BEAR  
HUGS.



FOR  
REAL  
?

DID YOU  
HEAR?  
AKIRA'S  
LITTLE  
BROTHER  
STARTS  
TRAINING  
TODAY.



HEY,  
WHAT'S  
WRONG  
WITH  
PANDAS?!

LIKE  
PANDAS.

WELL,  
YOU CAN  
HARDLY  
EXPECT  
PEOPLE  
TO THINK  
SOMEONE LIKE  
YOU WOULD  
SQUEAL OVER  
CUTE THINGS  
LIKE YOU DO.

AWESOME!  
HE'S  
SUCH A  
TEENSY,  
CUTE  
LIL' THING,  
ISN'T HE?



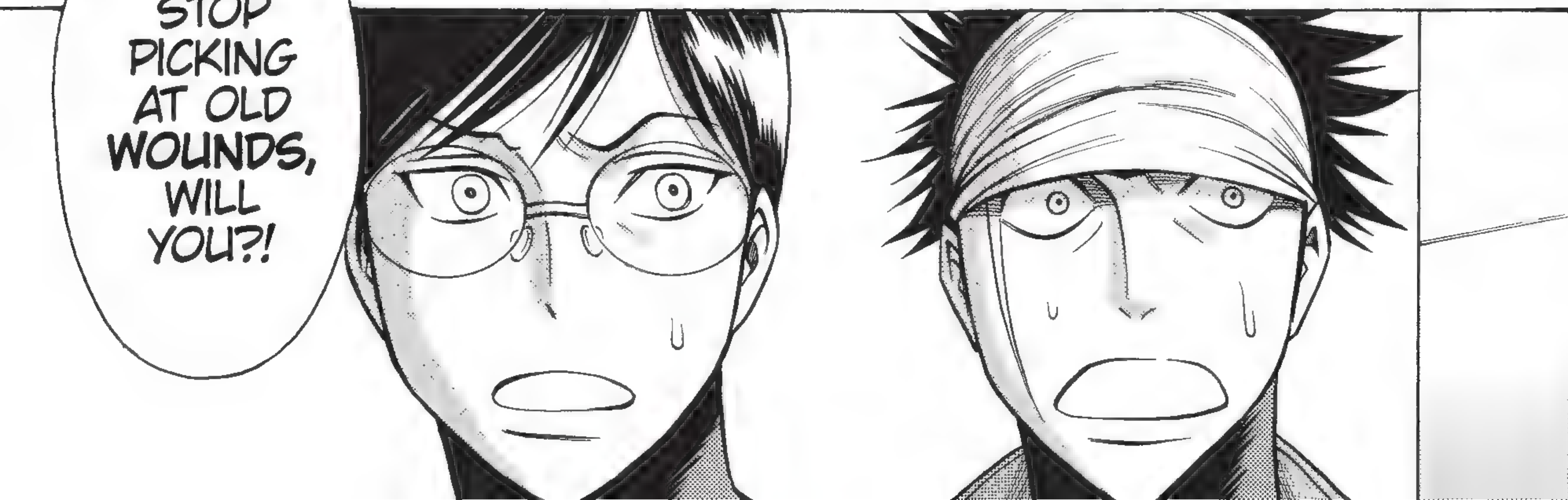
NOT  
THIS ONE.  
REMEMBER  
THE  
OLD DAYS,  
WHEN WE  
WERE IN  
VENICE?  
HE--

NOW  
WHERE  
WAS  
THAT  
TRAINING  
ROOM  
AGAIN?

AREN'T  
YOU TOO  
YOUNG TO  
BE LOSING  
YOUR  
EYESIGHT  
YET?

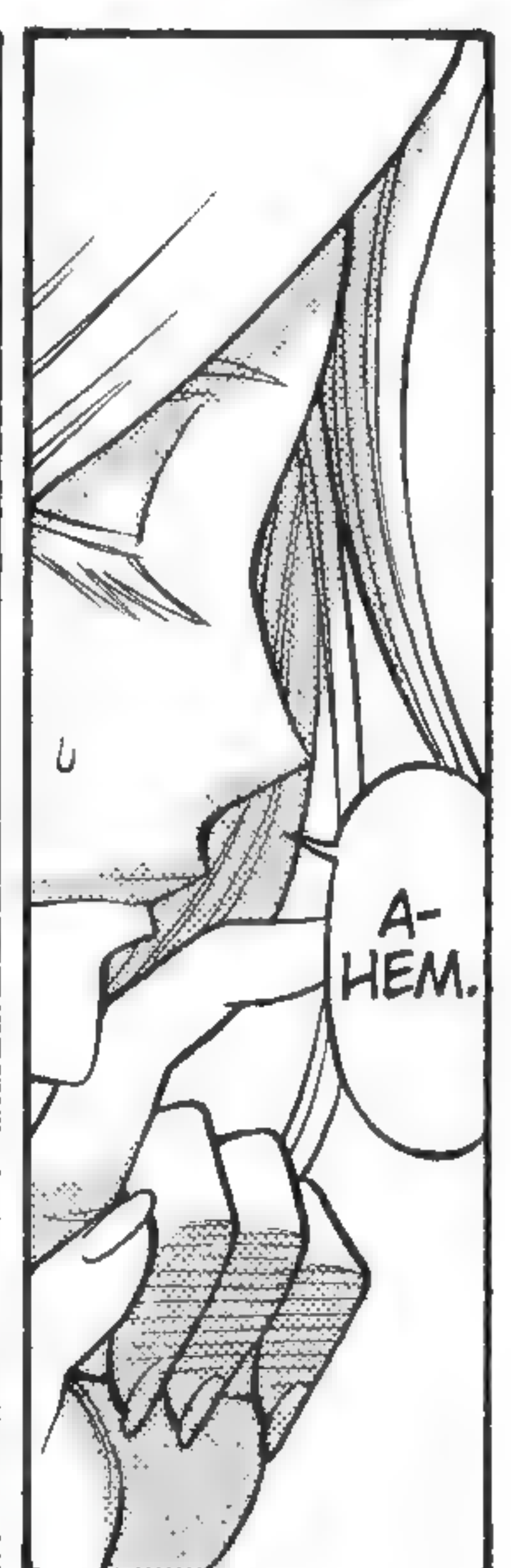
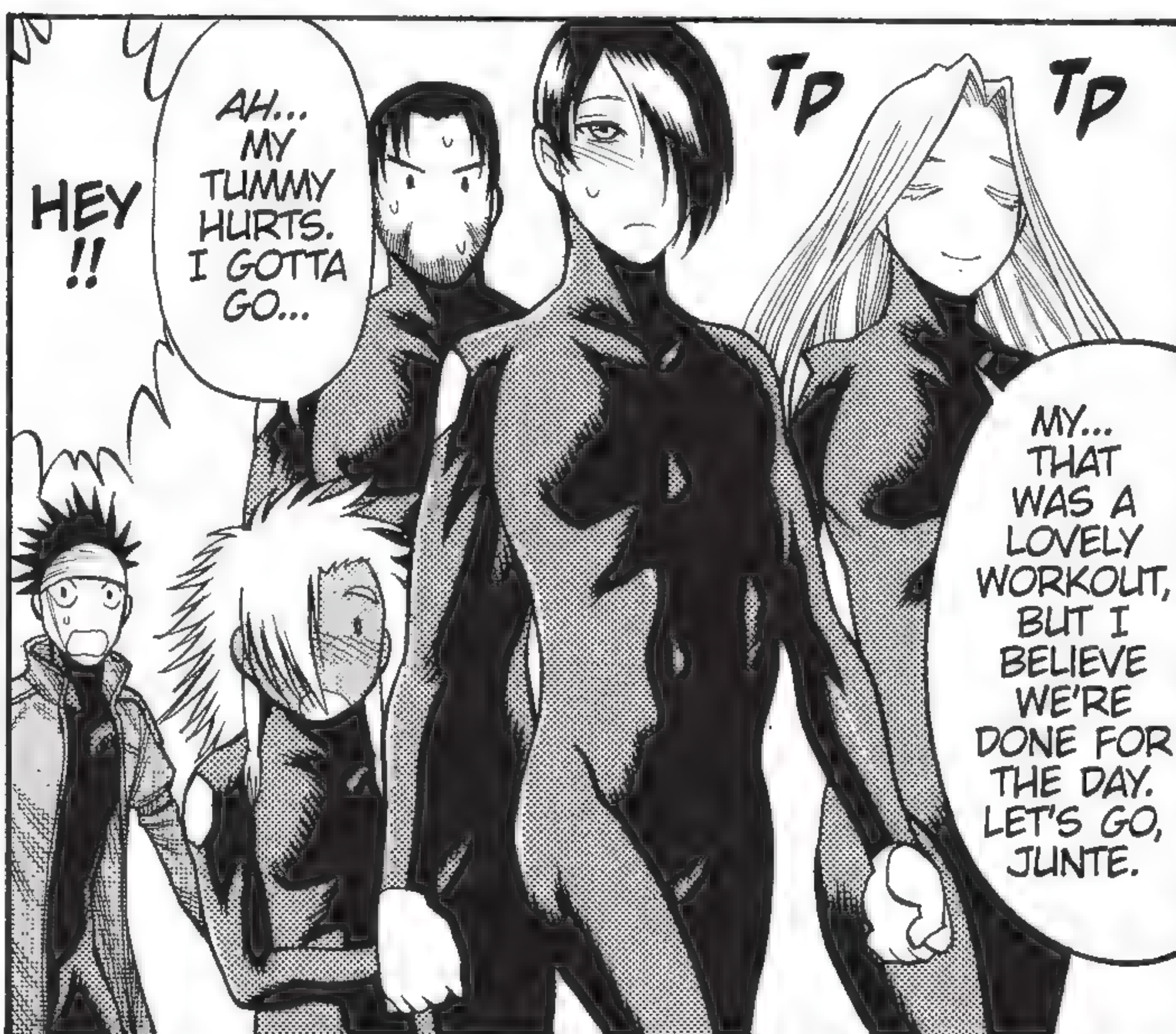
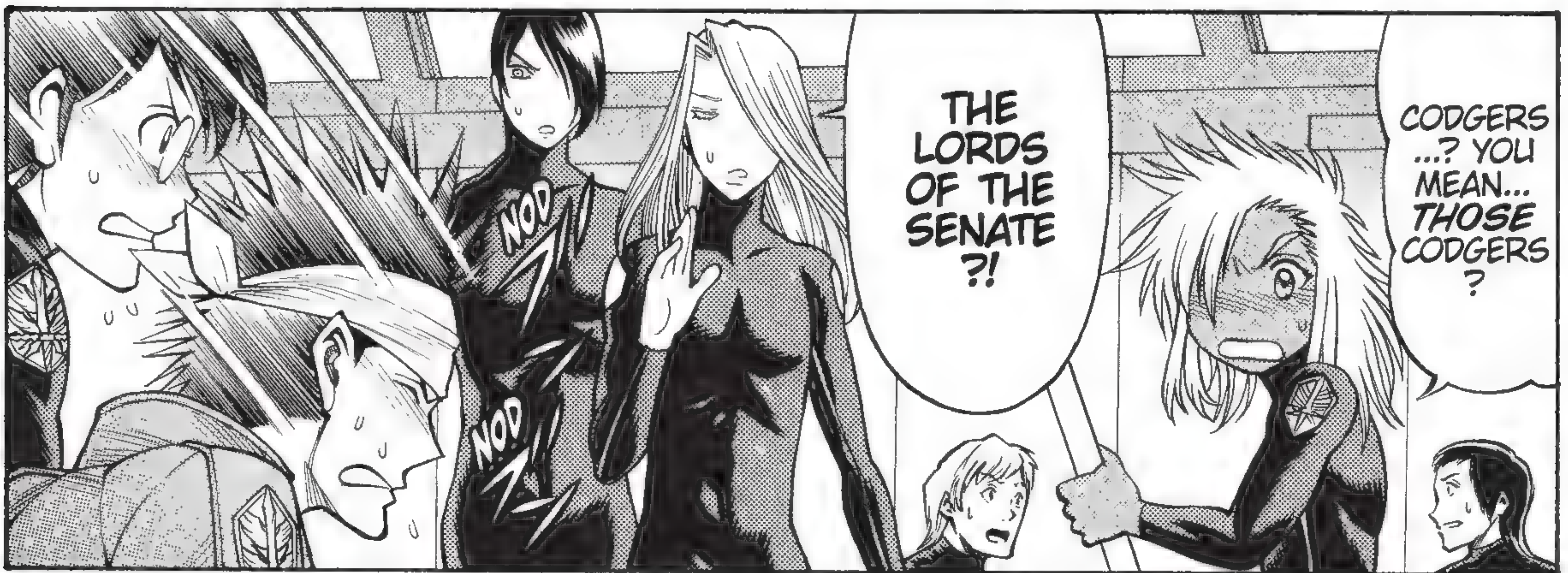


BESIDES,  
PANDAS  
CAN BE  
AWFUL  
VICIOUS  
WHEN...



**BAH!**  
STOP  
PICKING  
AT OLD  
WOUNDS,  
WILL  
YOU?!









YES,  
THIS  
WILL  
BE  
MORE  
THAN  
ADE-  
QUATE.

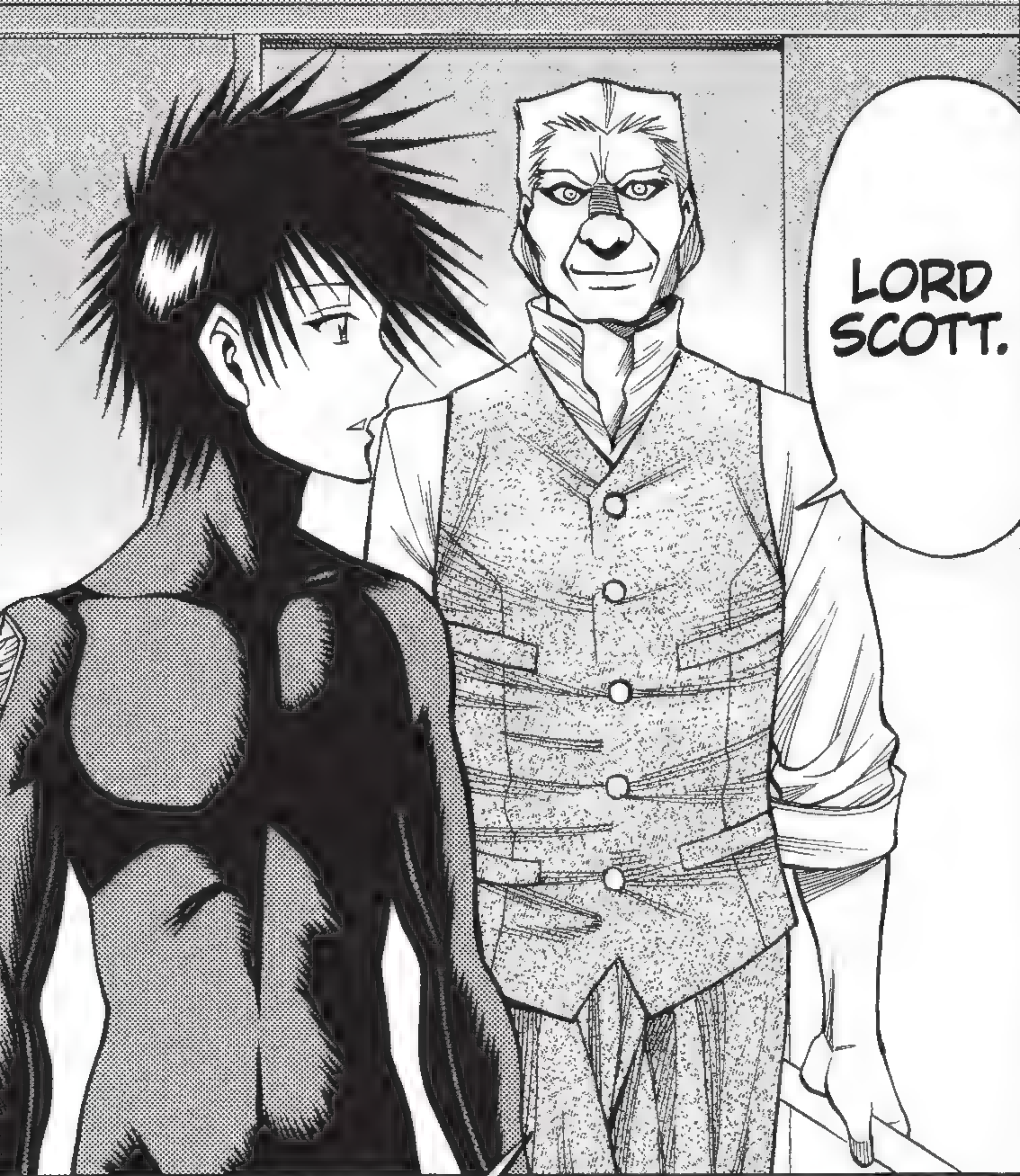
世に彼等が来た!!

THEY'RE  
HERE!!







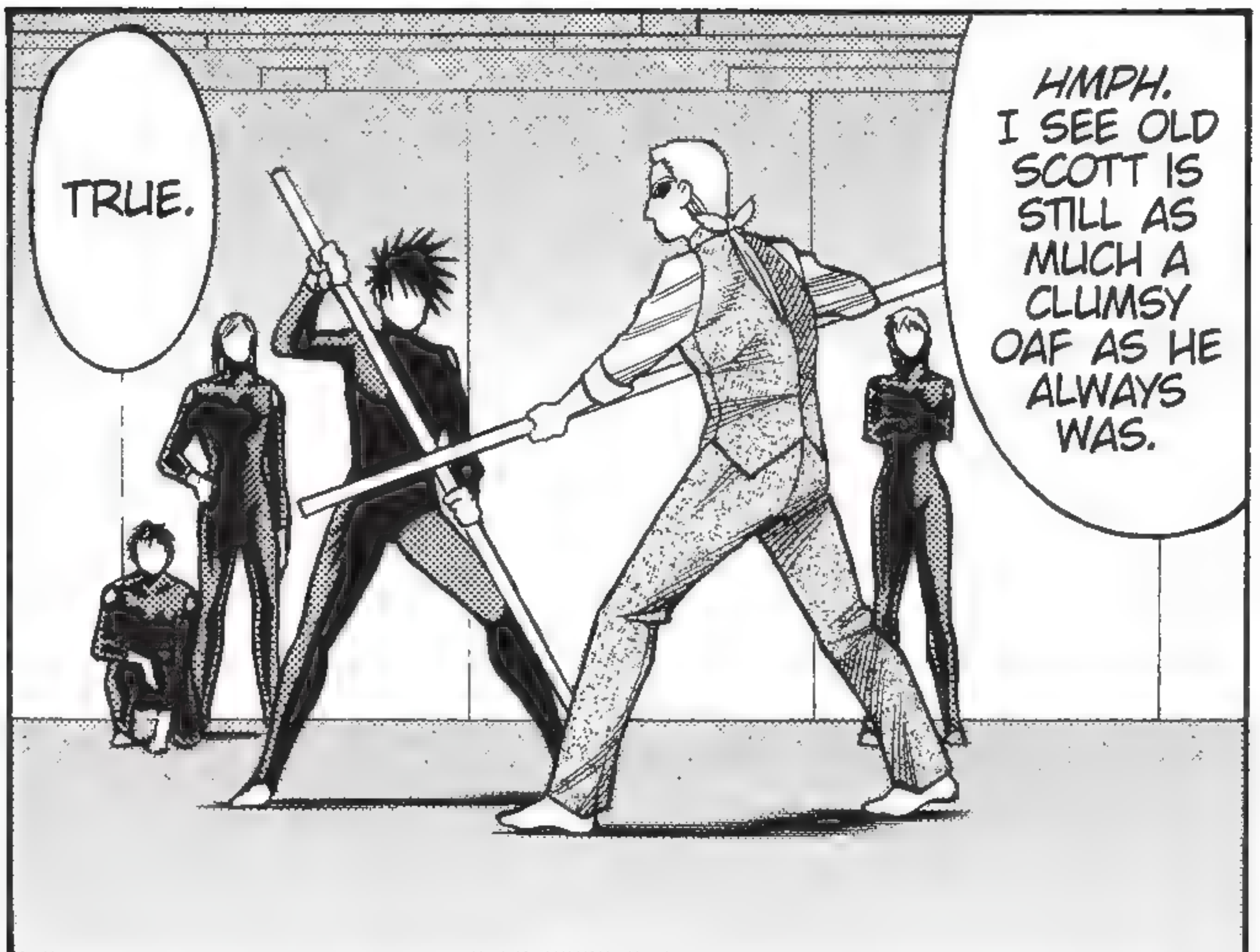






HN.  
I GUESS  
YOU  
HAVE A  
RIGHT  
TO  
KNOW.

HUH?  
WHAT'RE  
YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?



TRUE.

HMPH.  
I SEE OLD  
SCOTT IS  
STILL AS  
MUCH A  
CLUMSY  
OAF AS HE  
ALWAYS  
WAS.



THEY  
DON'T,  
DO  
THEY?

SERI-  
OUSLY?  
DAMN,  
THEY  
DON'T  
LOOK  
RELATED  
AT ALL!



ANGIE  
WAS THE  
ONLY HEIR  
OF HIS  
BLOODLINE  
THAT  
SURVIVED.

ONCE,  
SCOTT HAD  
NEARLY A  
WHOLE PACK  
OF SONS.  
UNFORTUNATELY,  
EVERY ONE  
OF THEM  
WAS KILLED  
IN BATTLE.



ANGIE IS  
SCOTT'S  
GRAND-  
SON.

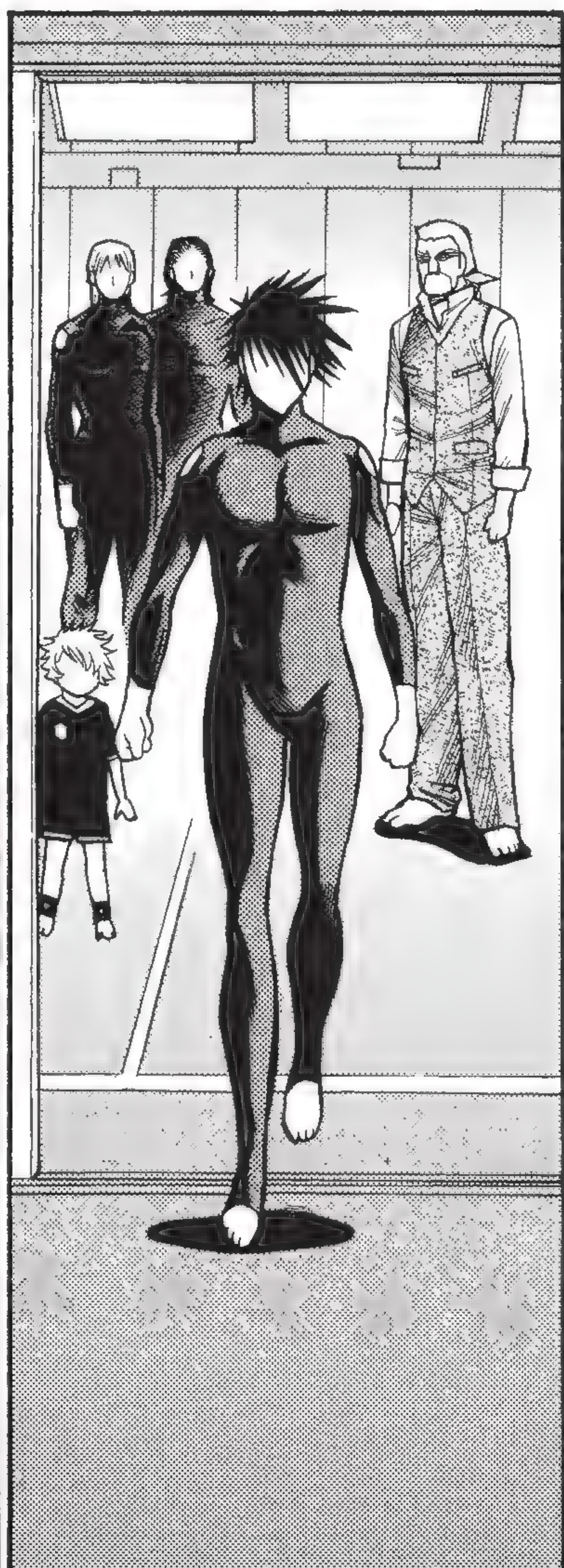
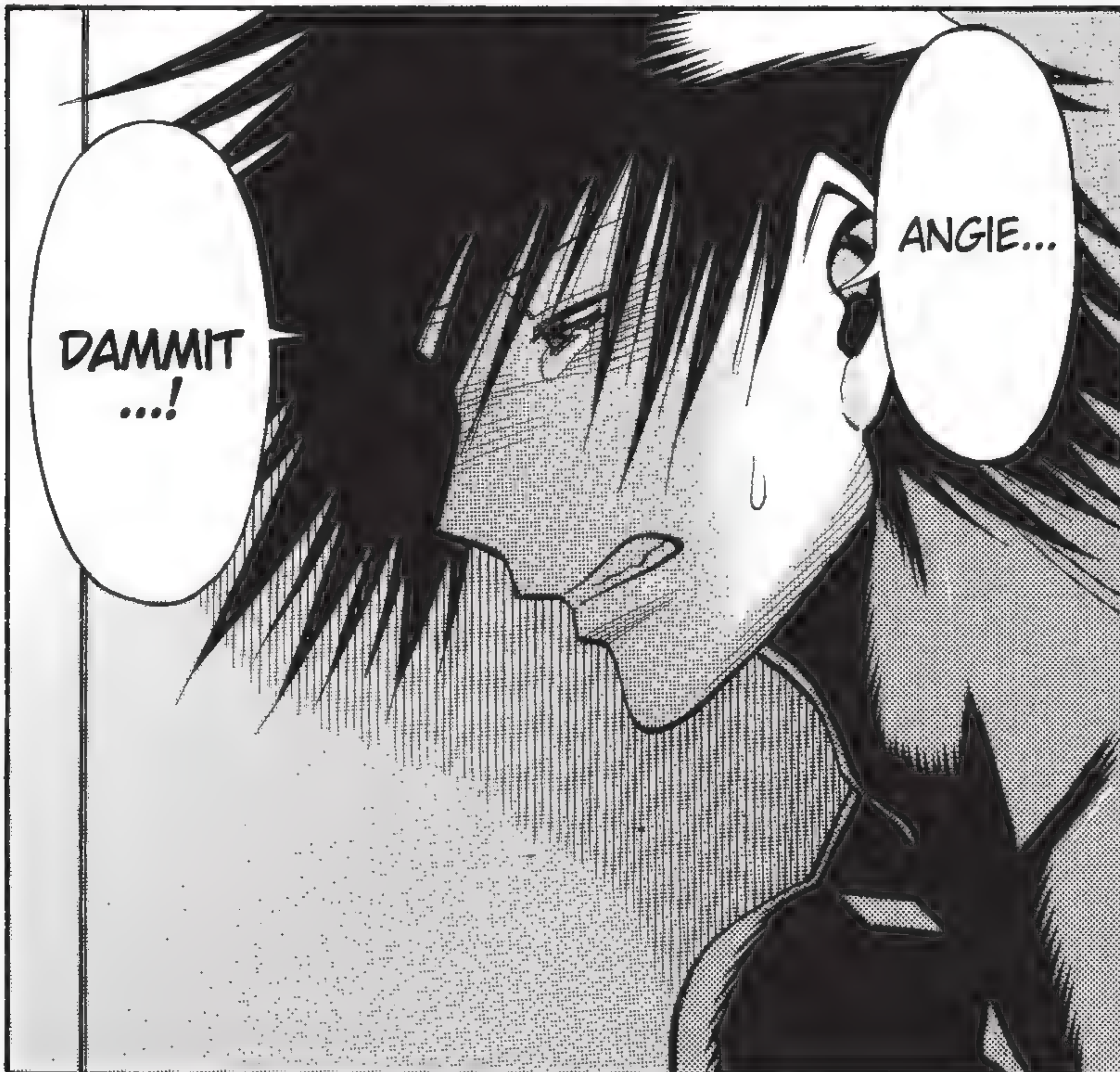
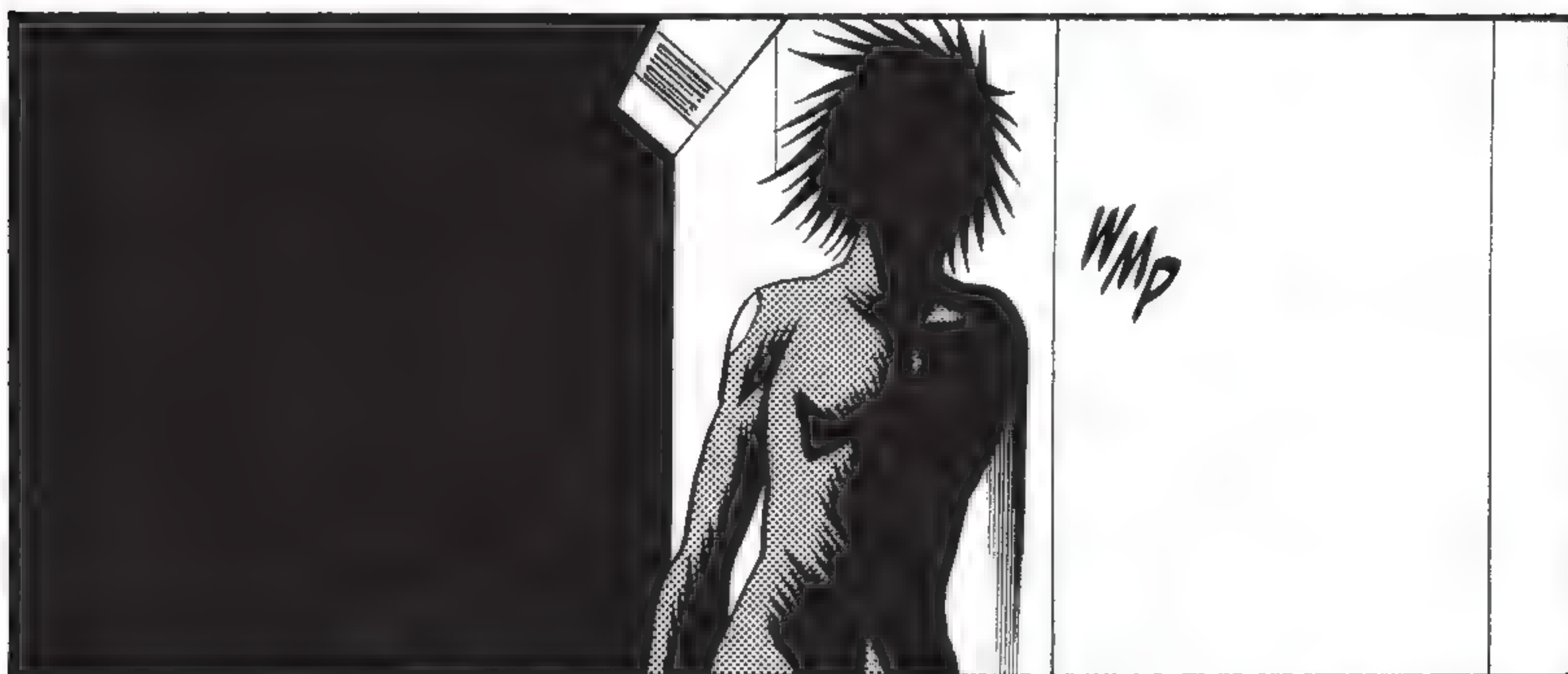
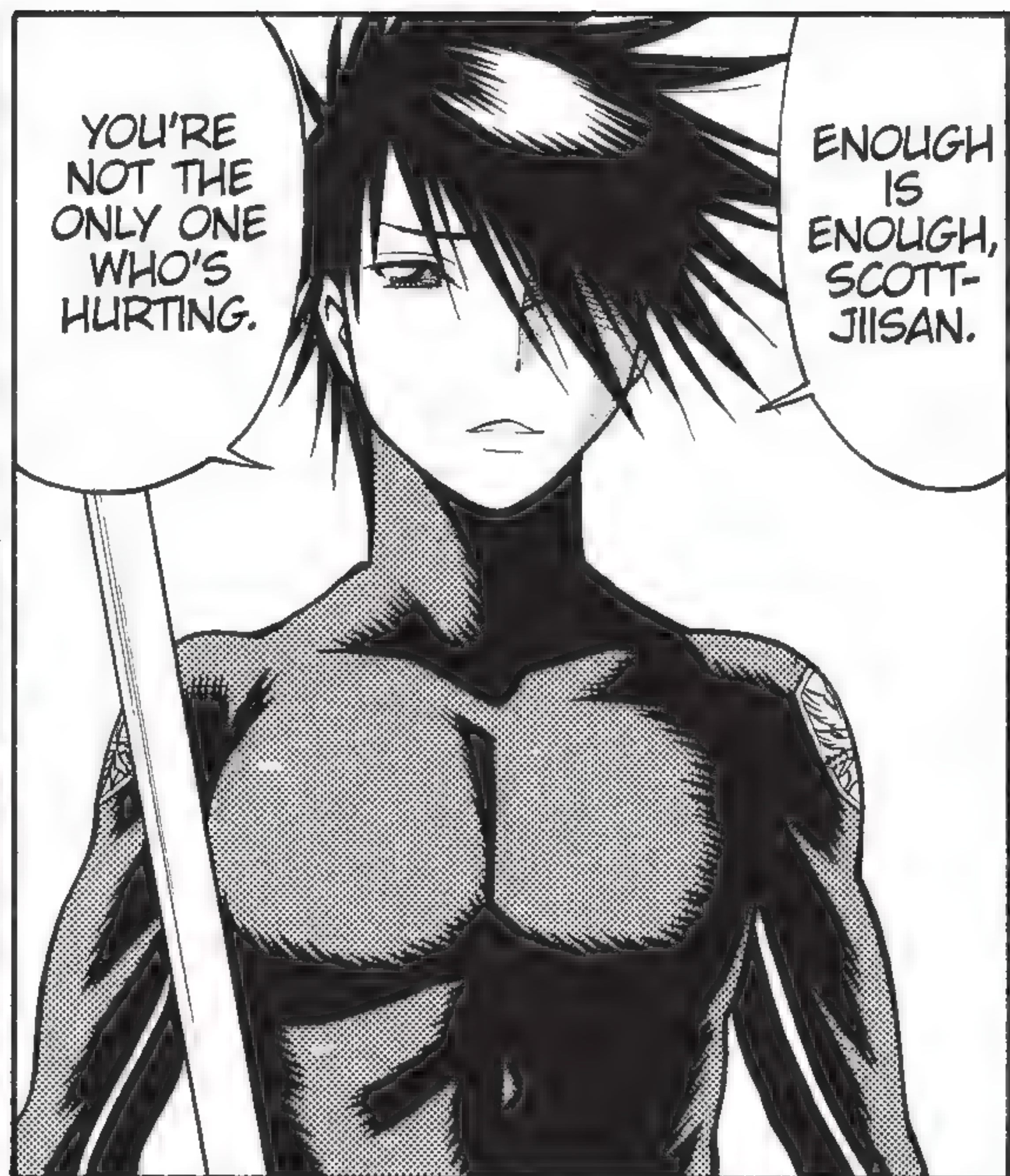
YOU  
SEE...

!!

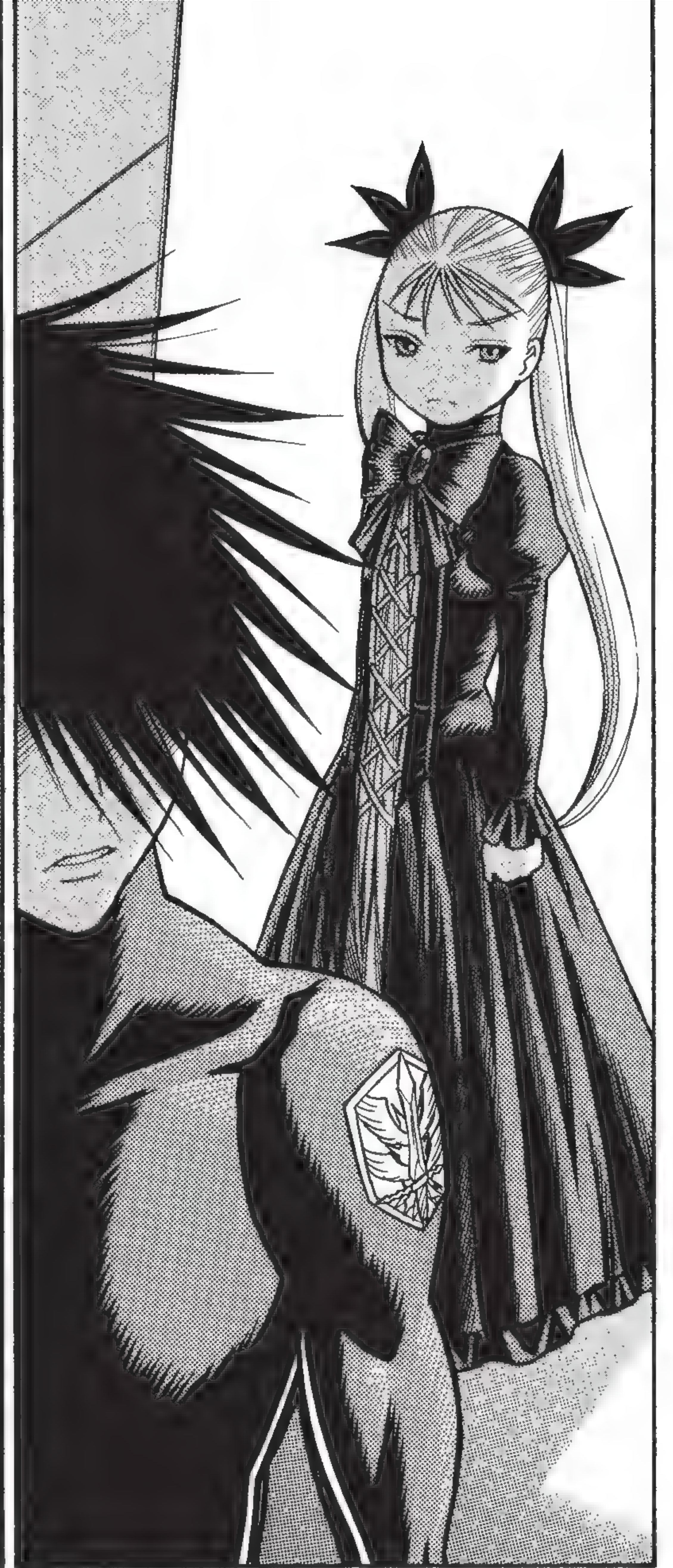
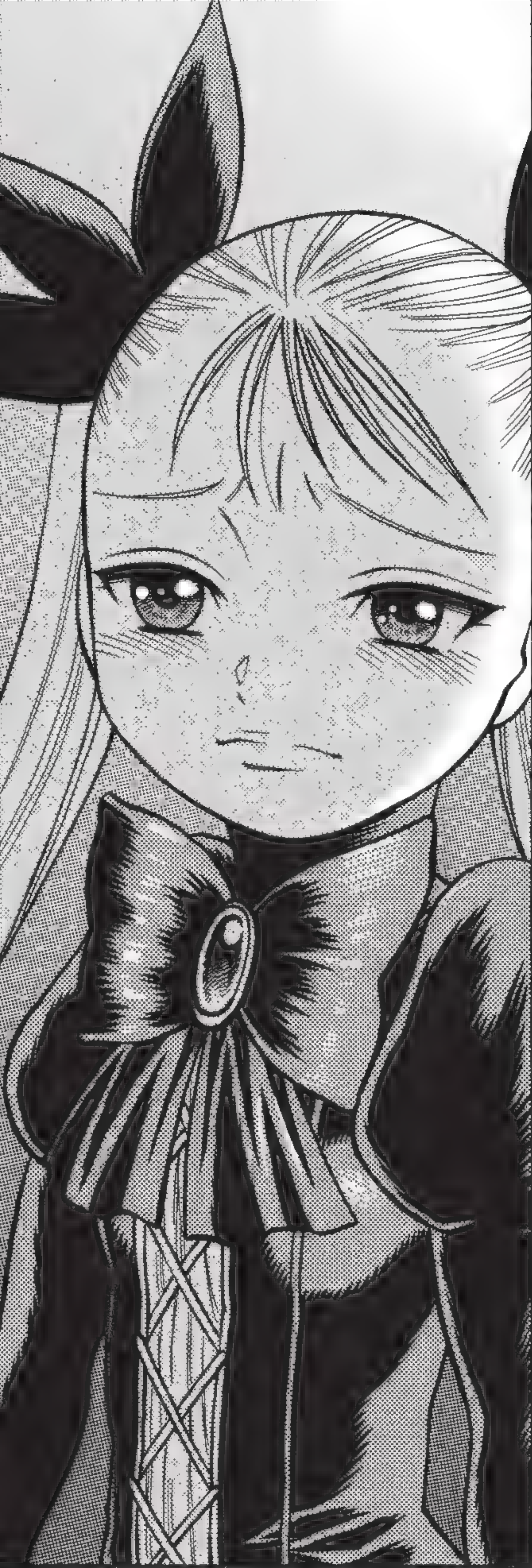






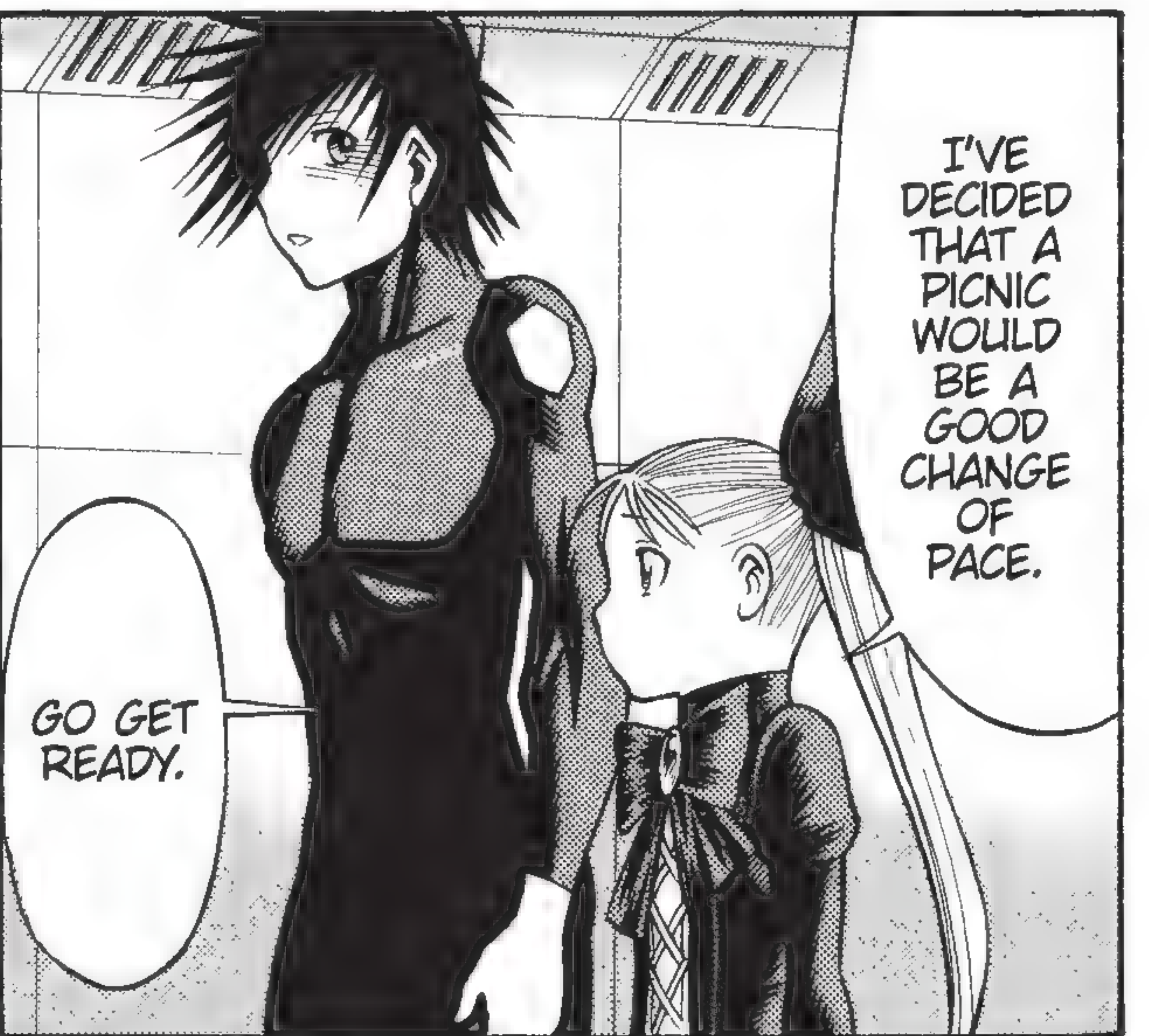






OH.  
HIME-  
SAN...

WHAT'S  
UP?



FOOL.  
WHO SAID  
IT WAS  
FOR YOU?  
NOW GO  
AND GET  
YOURSELF  
READY.

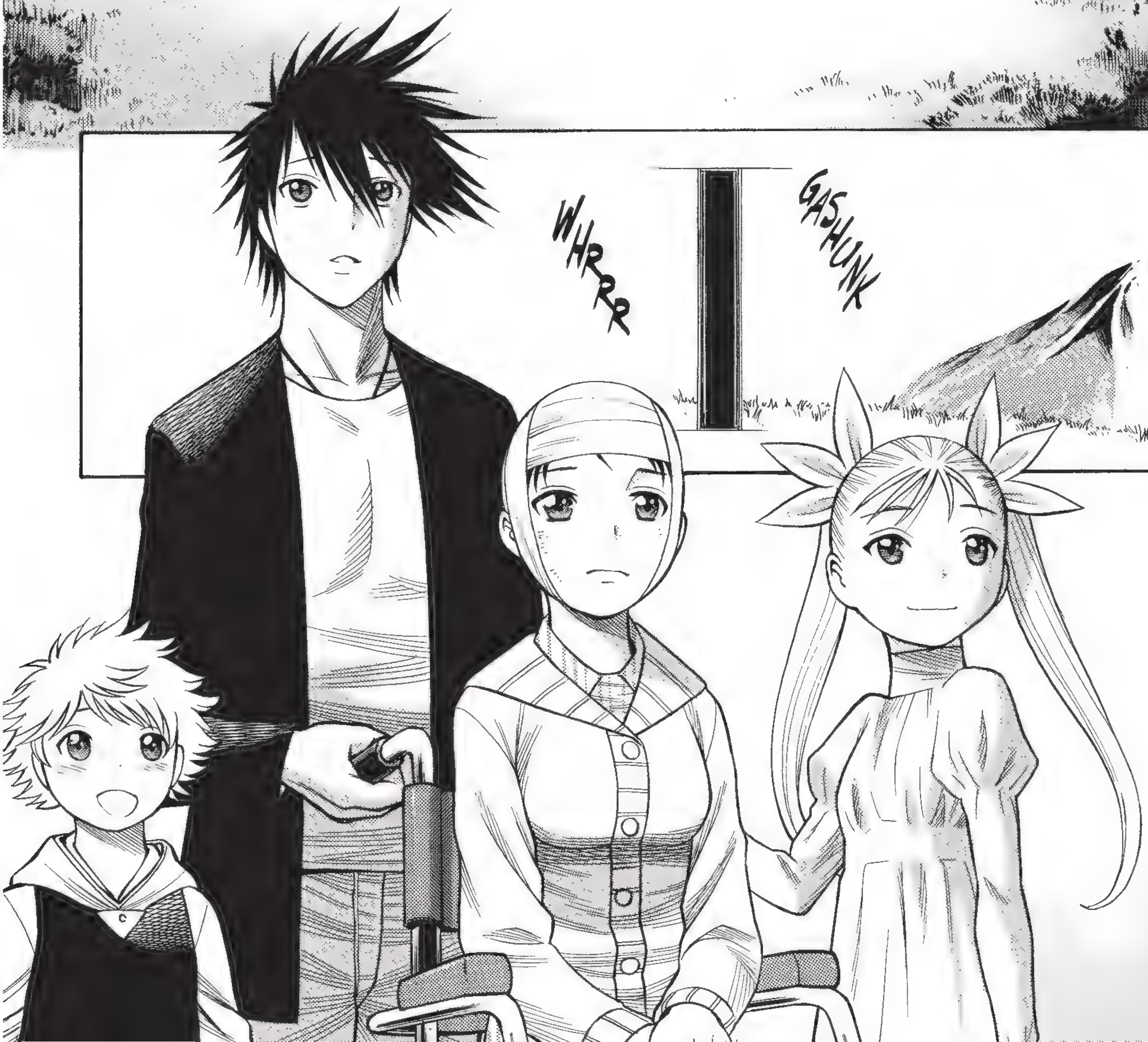
SORRY,  
I'M NOT  
REALLY  
IN THE  
MOOD...

GO GET  
READY.

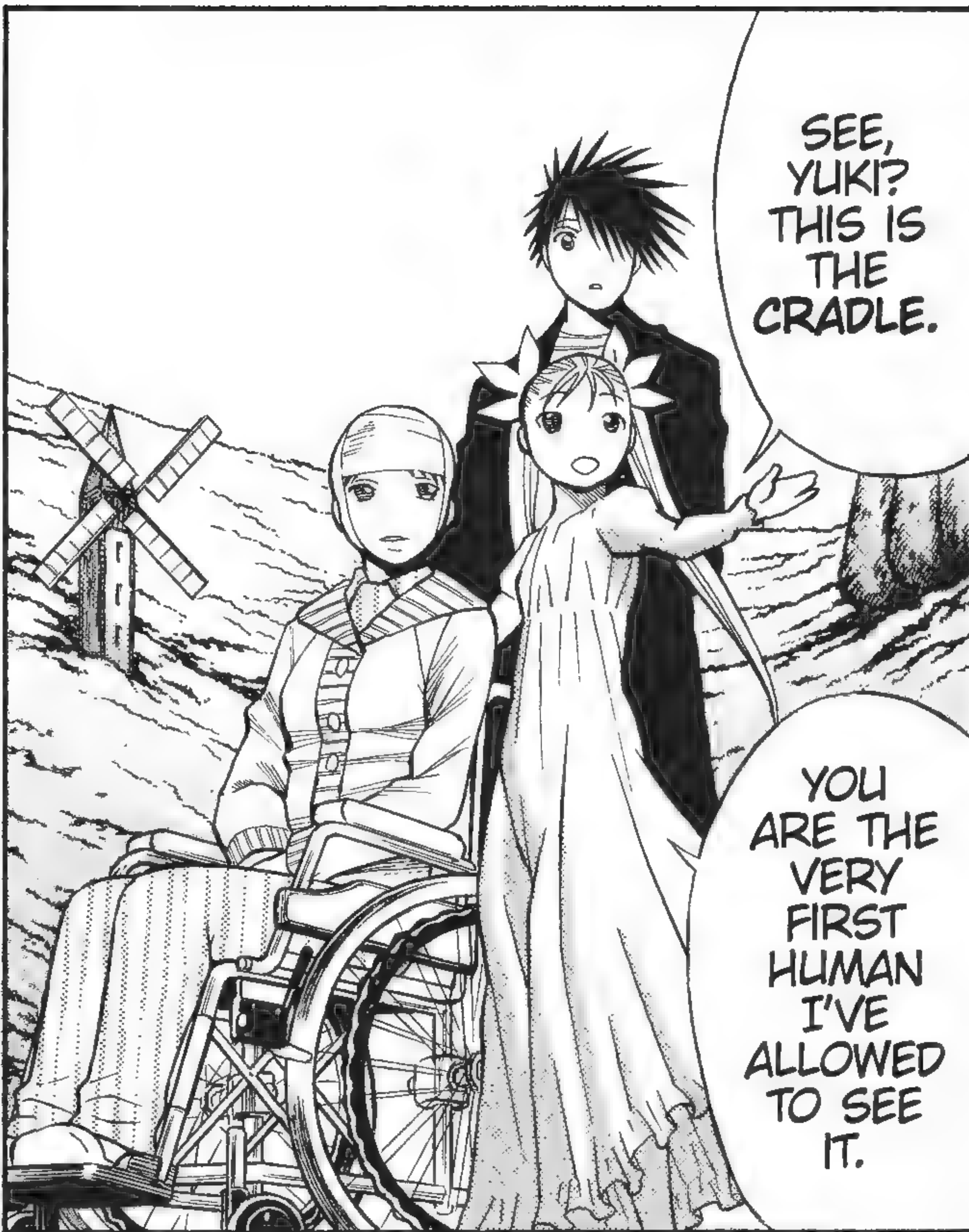
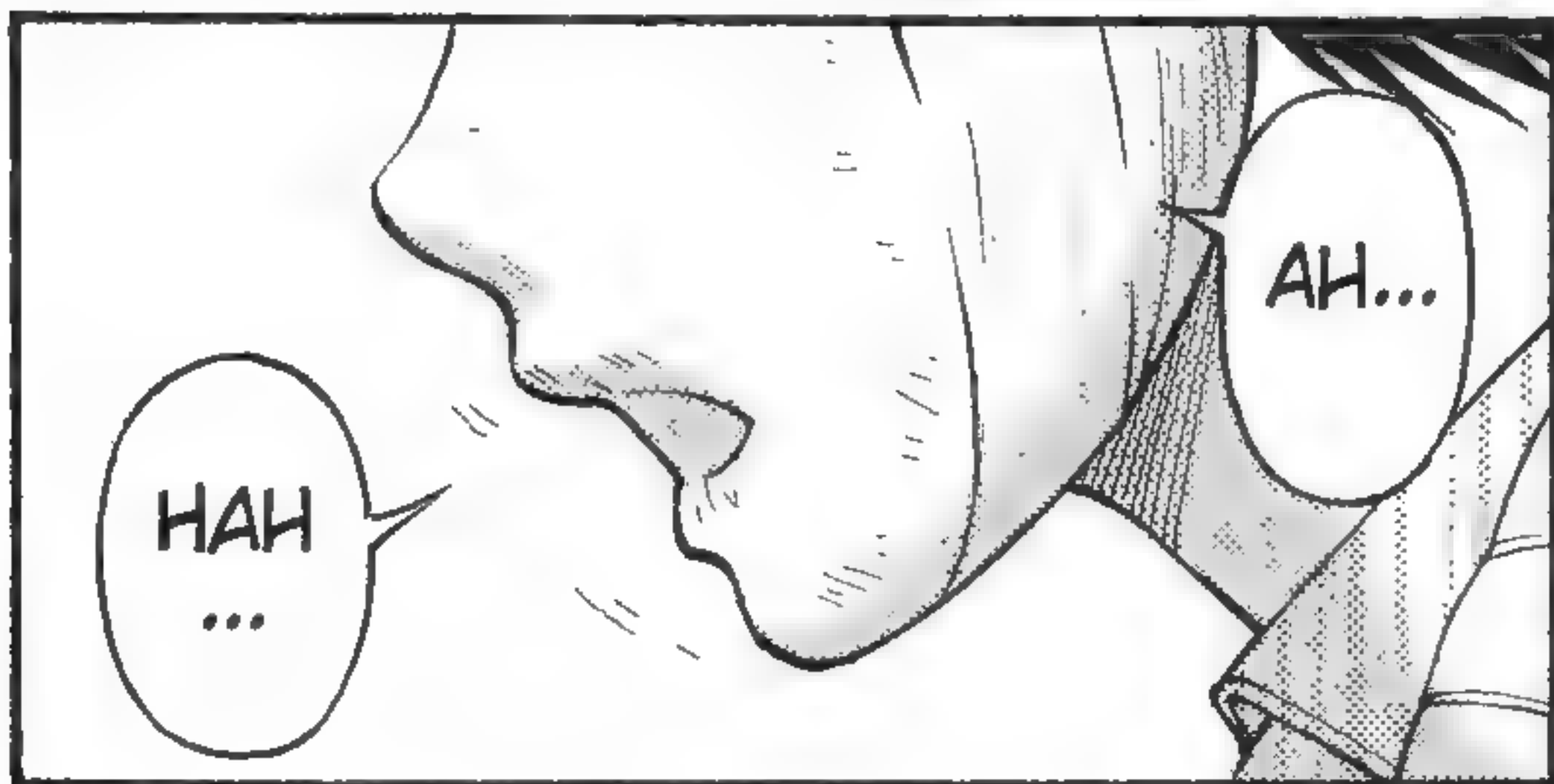
I'VE  
DECIDED  
THAT A  
PICNIC  
WOULD  
BE A  
GOOD  
CHANGE  
OF  
PACE.

A PIC-  
NIC  
...?

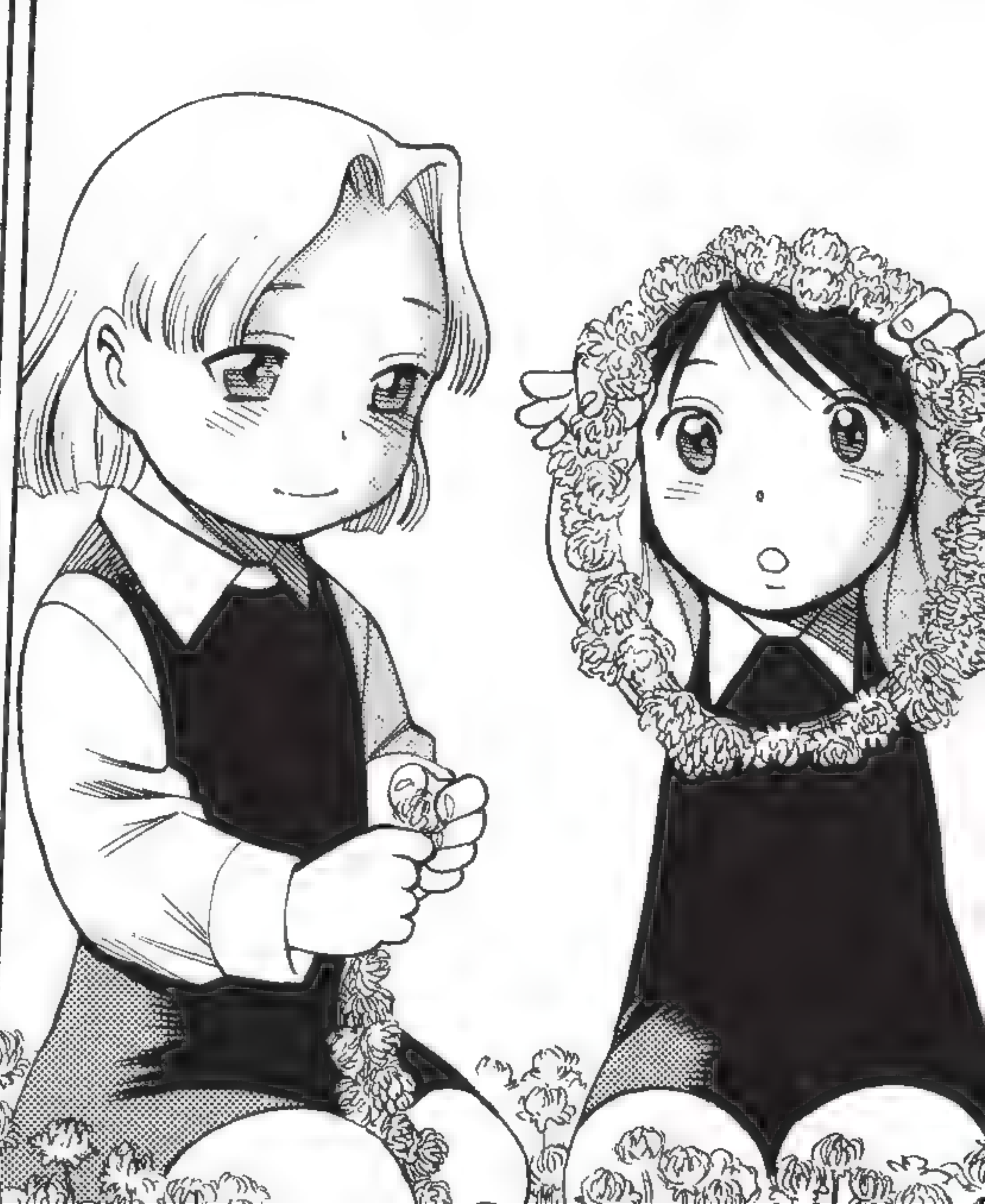
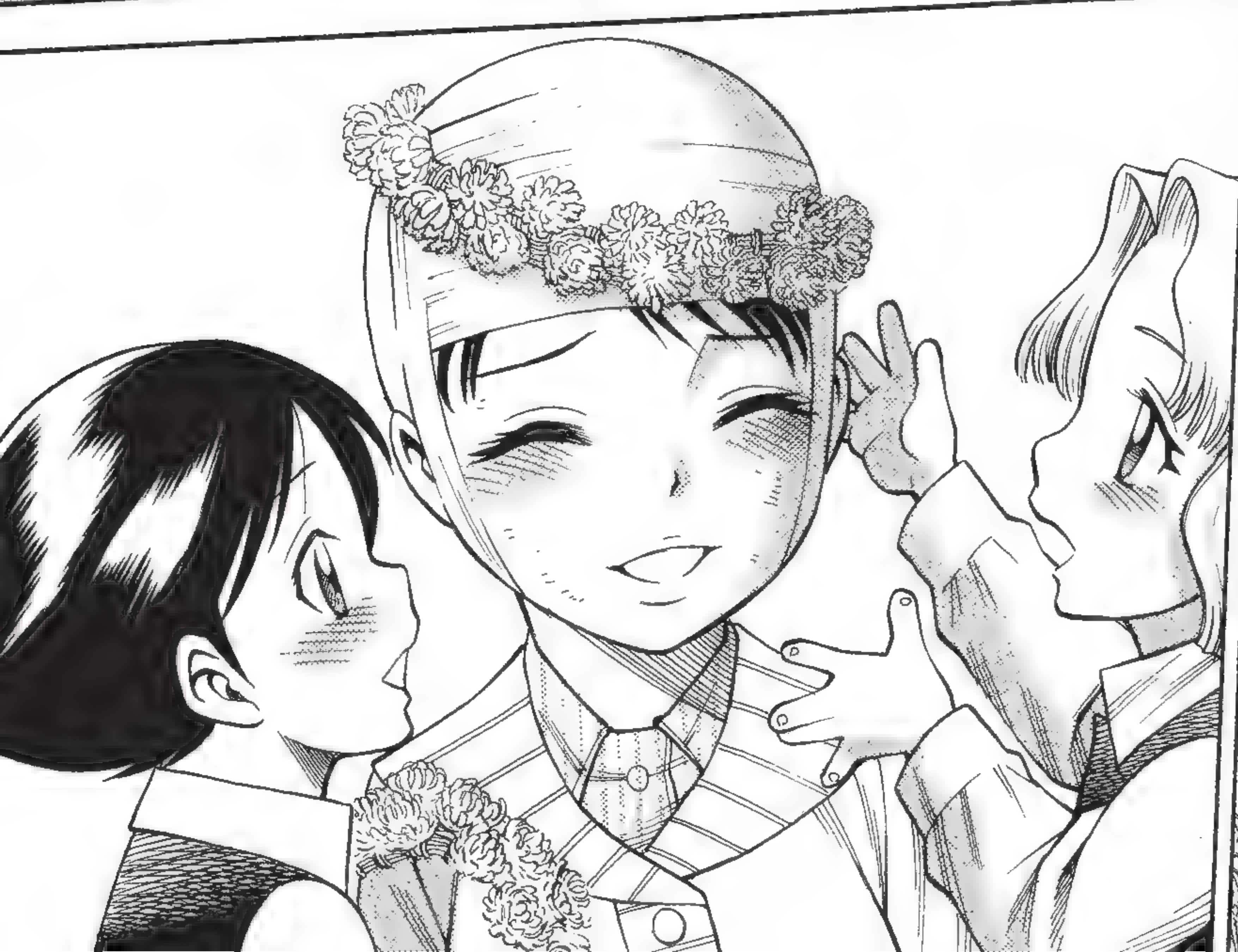
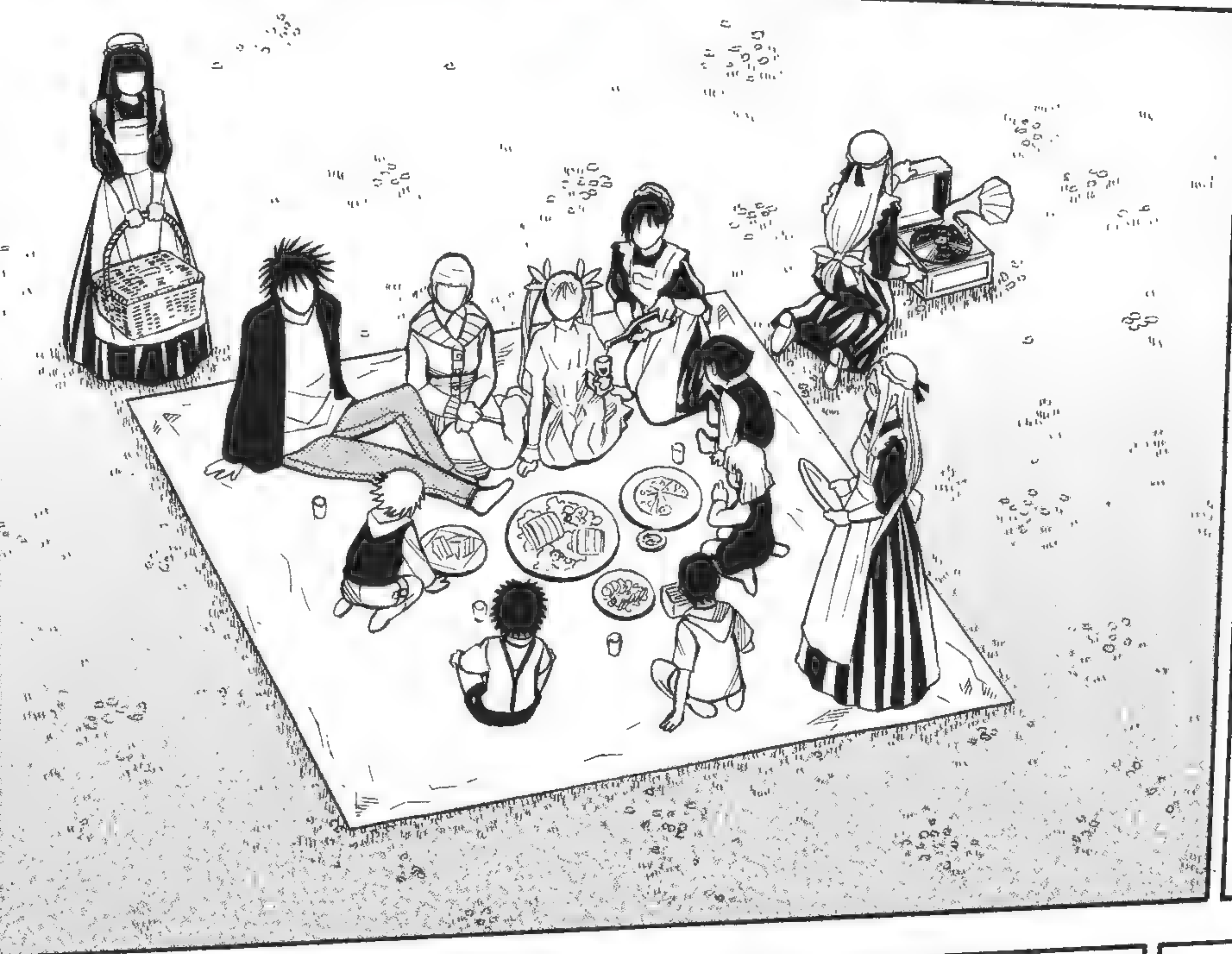




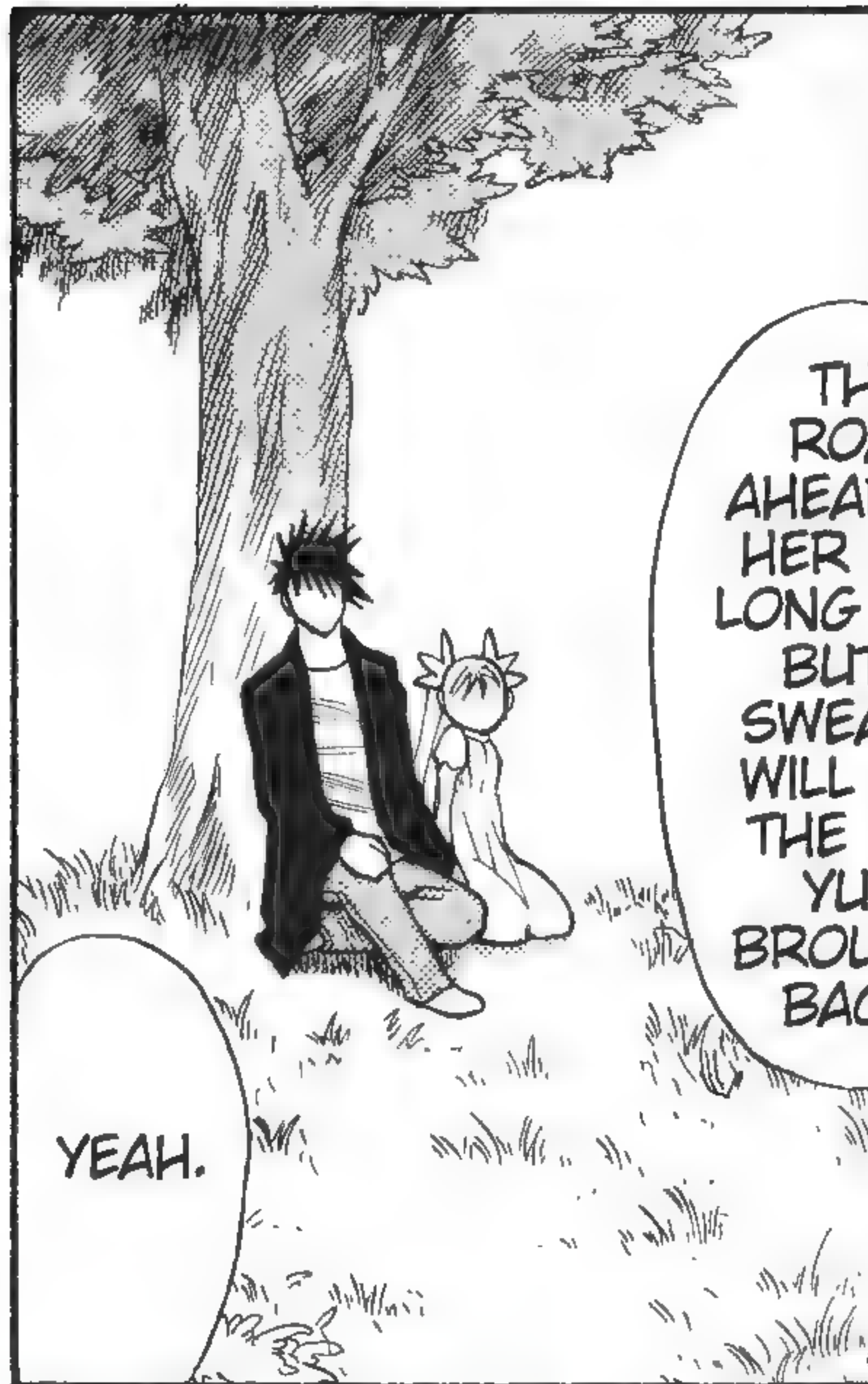












YEAH.

THE ROAD AHEAD OF HER IS A LONG ONE, BUT I SWEAR I WILL SEE THE OLD YUKI BROUGHT BACK.

YES.

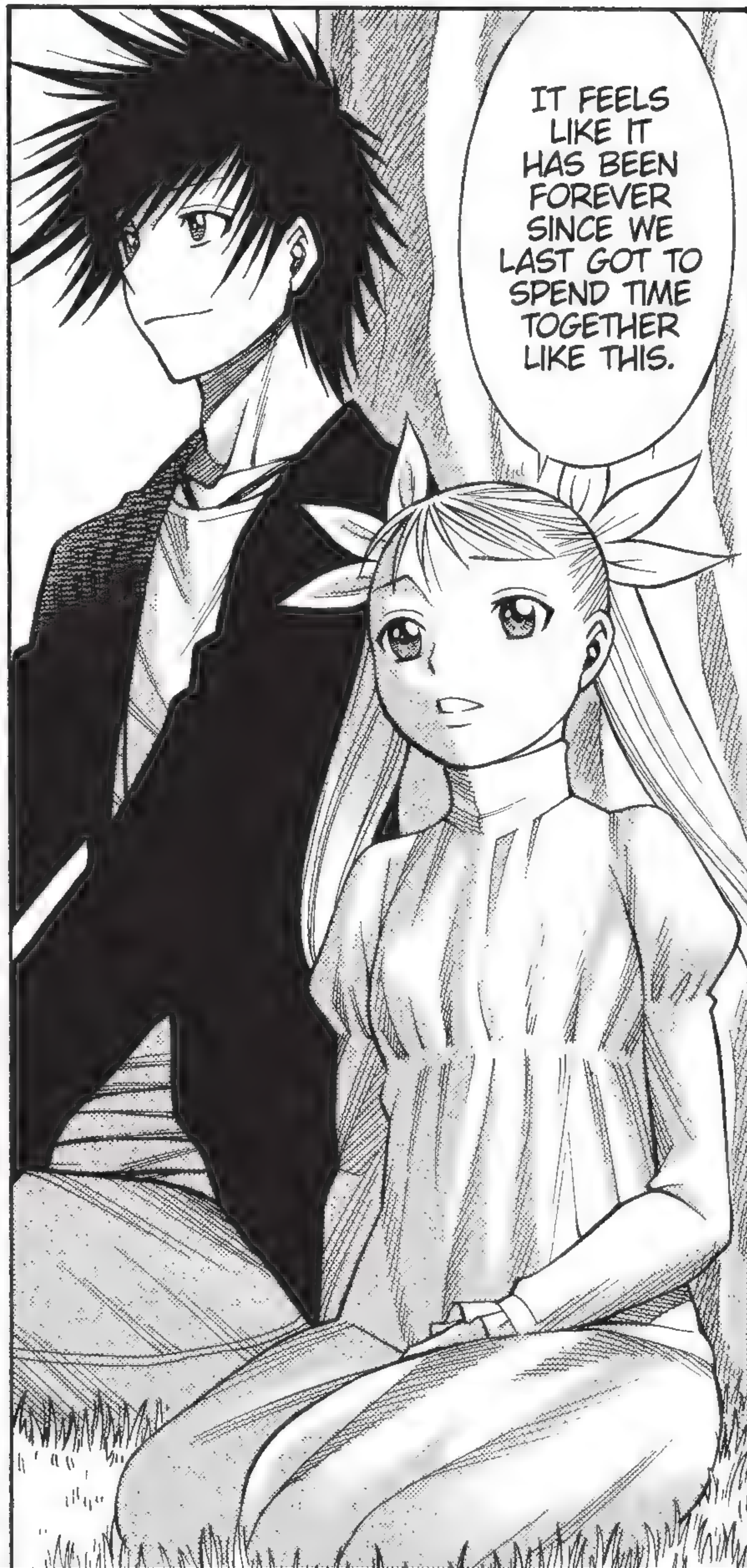
I'M GLAD WE MANAGED TO SAVE HER...



.....

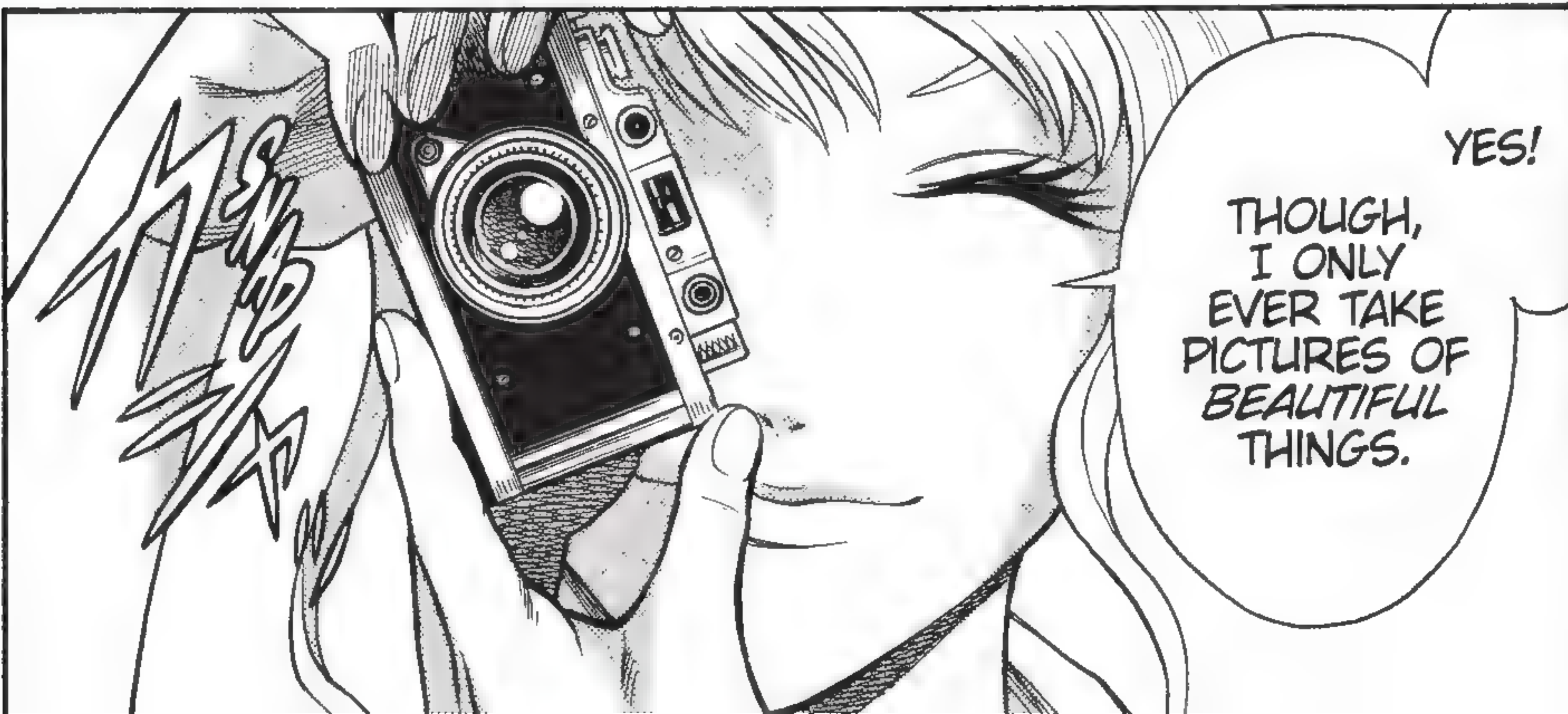
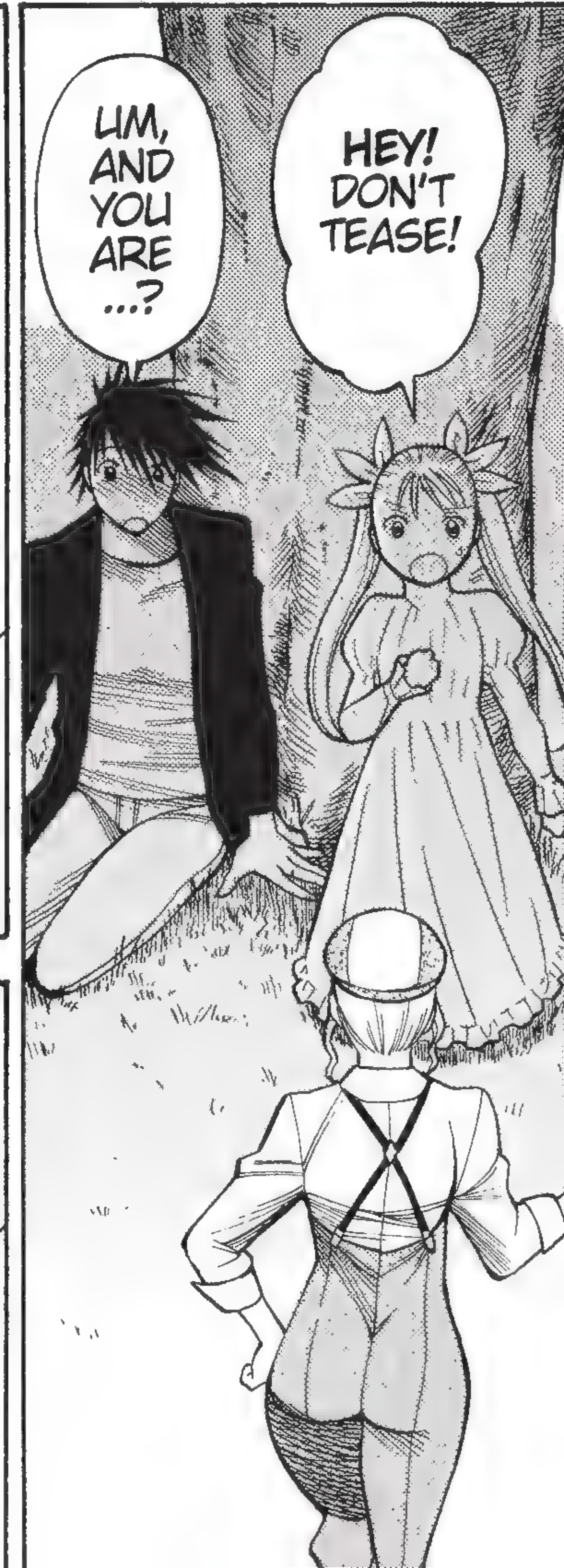
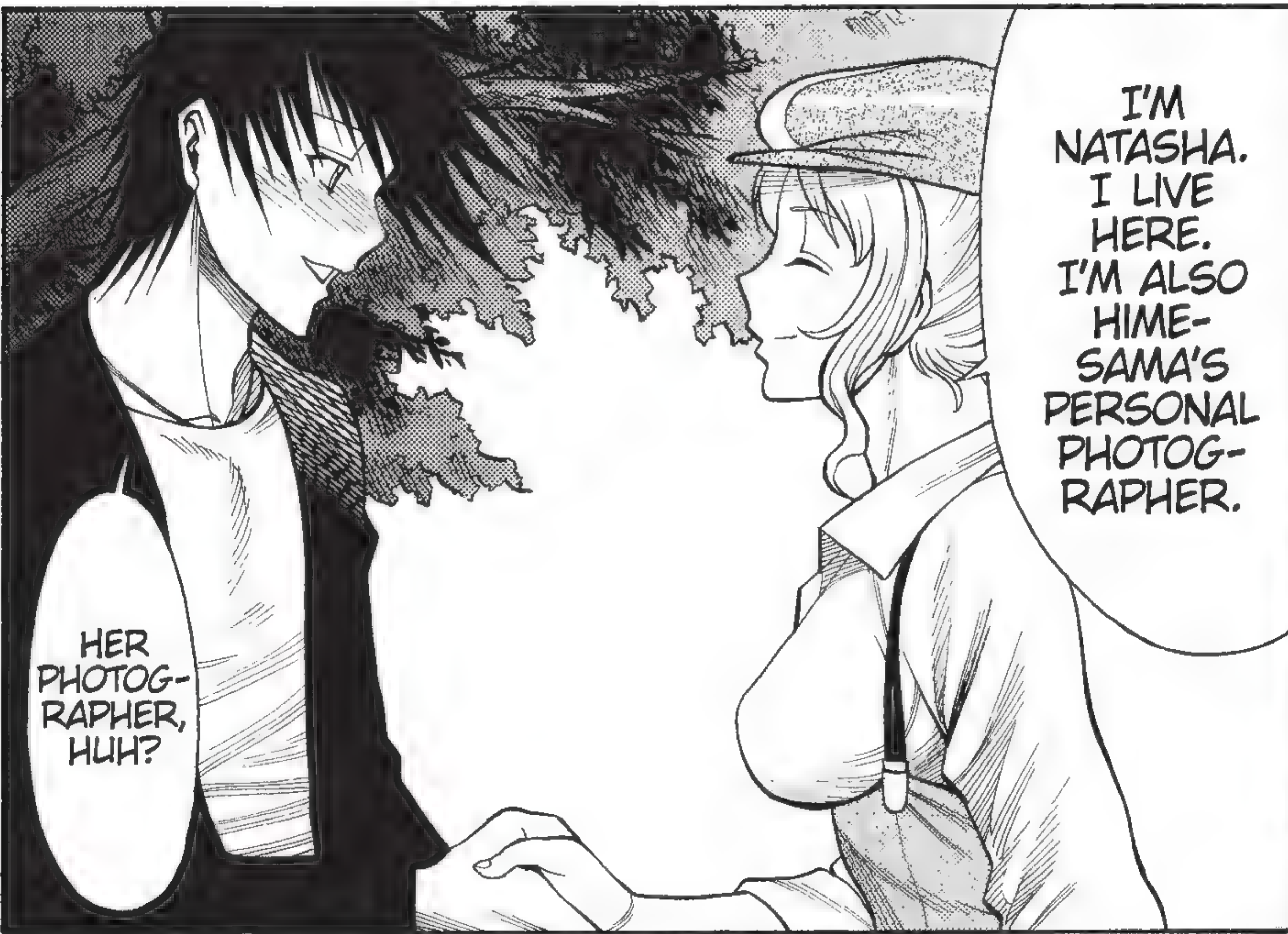


EVEN THOUGH WE'VE BEEN RIGHT NEXT TO EACH OTHER THE ENTIRE TIME.

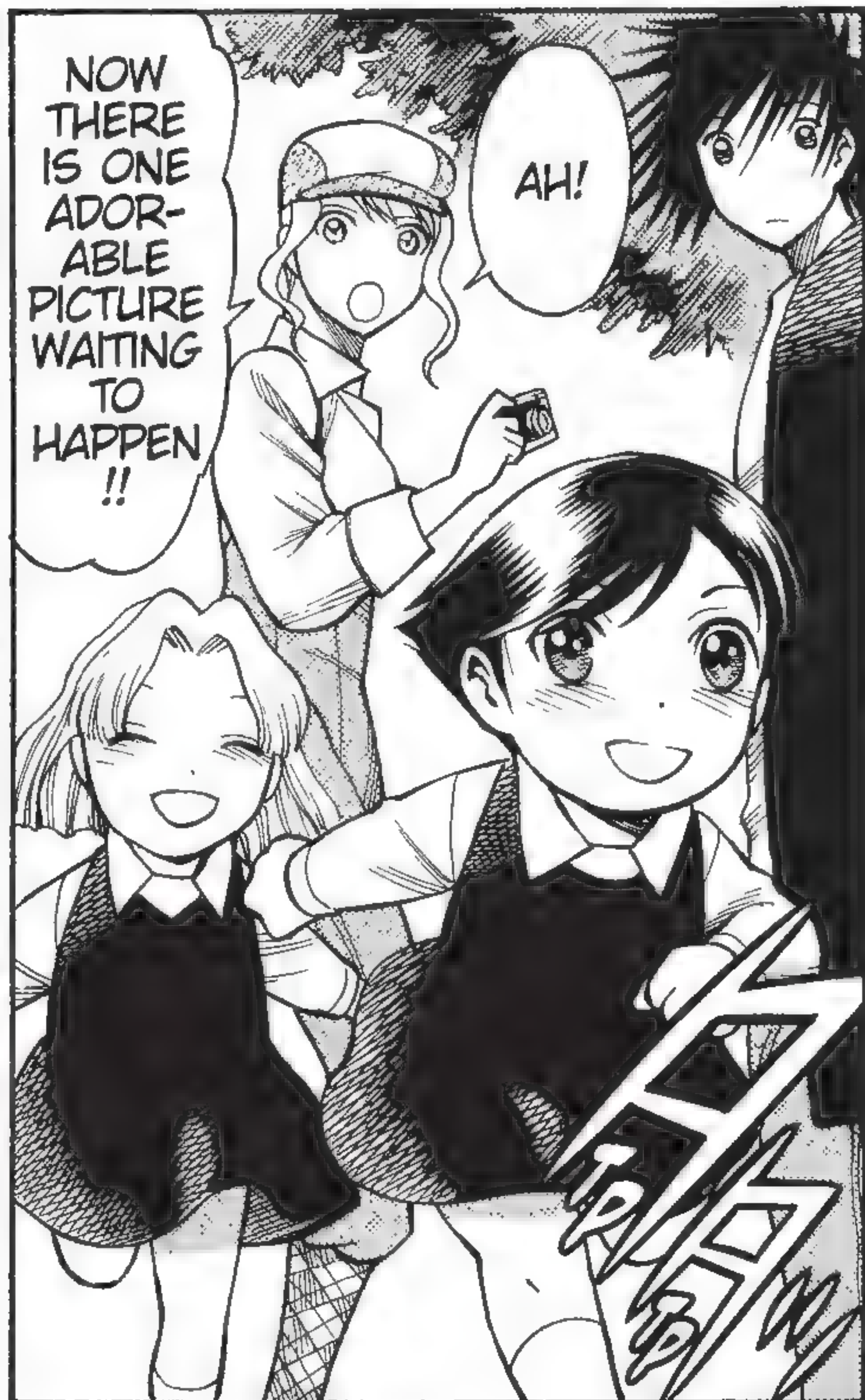
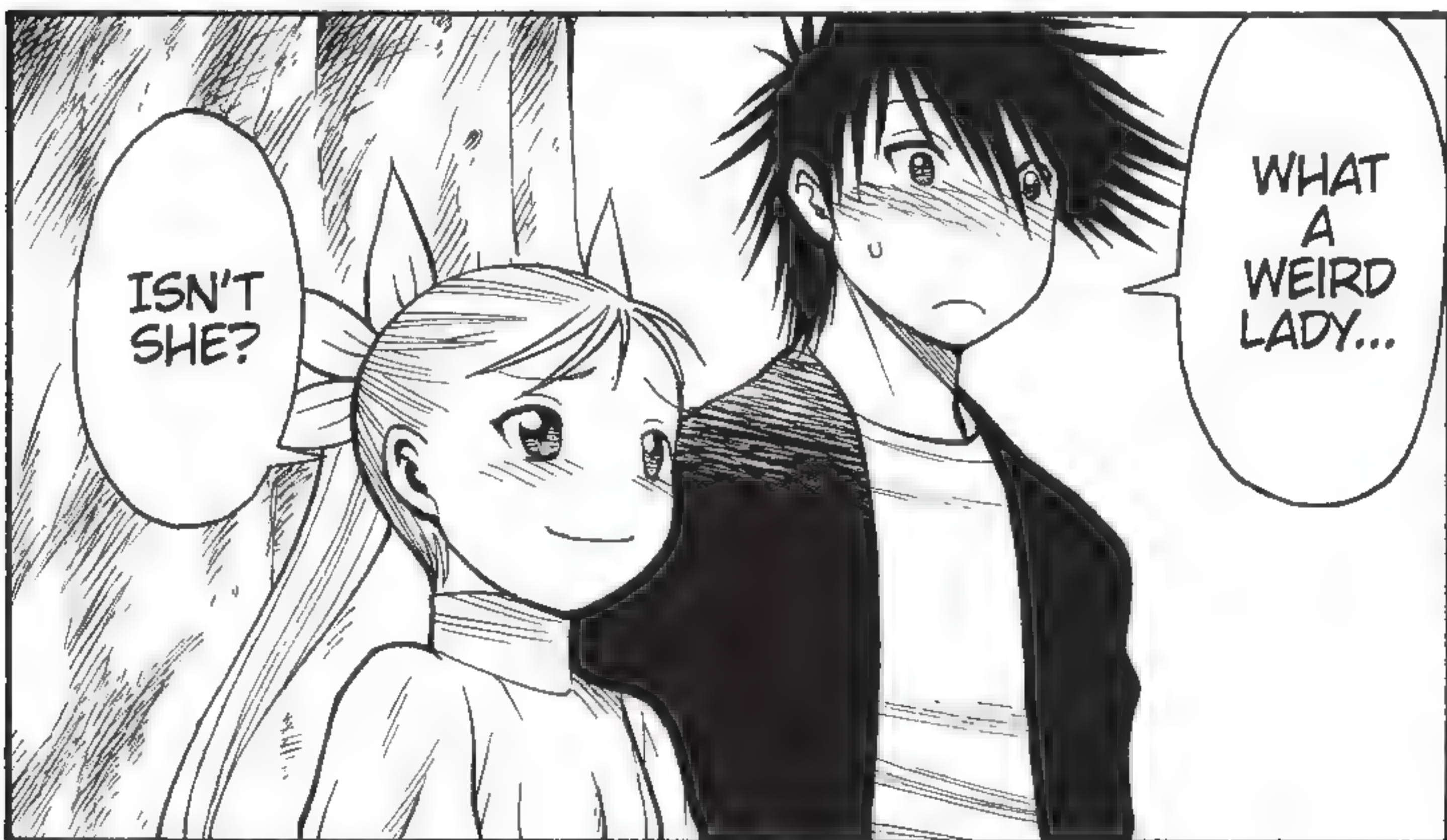
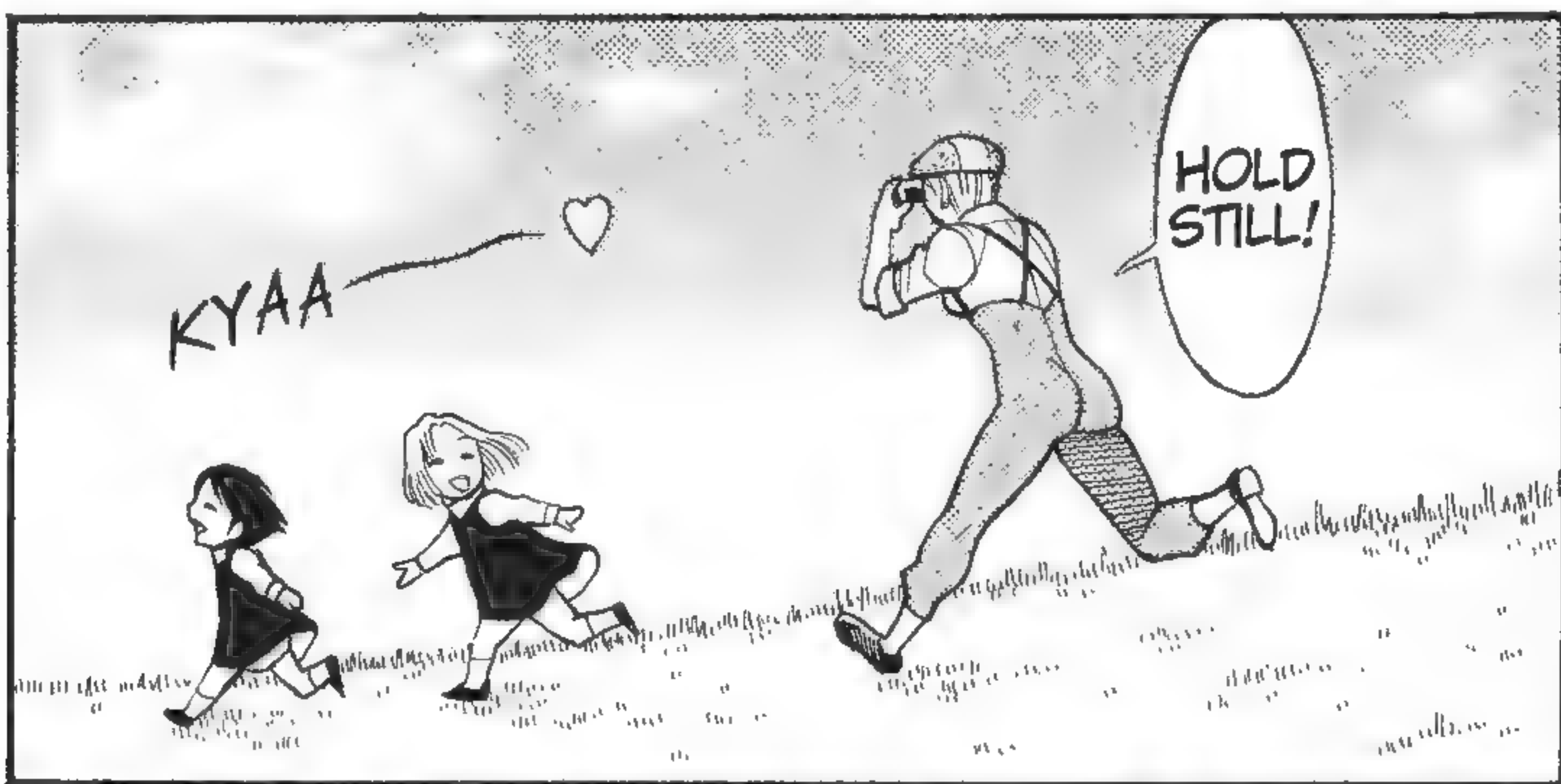
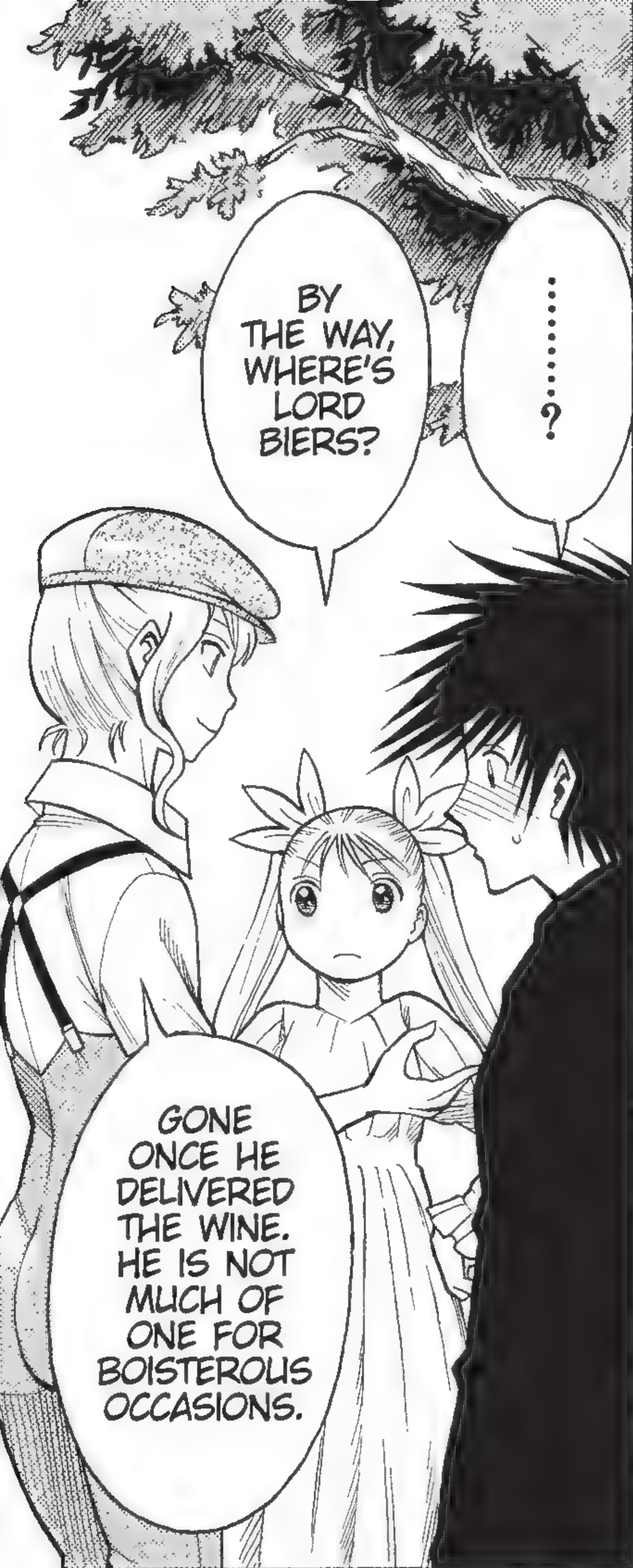


IT FEELS LIKE IT HAS BEEN FOREVER SINCE WE LAST GOT TO SPEND TIME TOGETHER LIKE THIS.





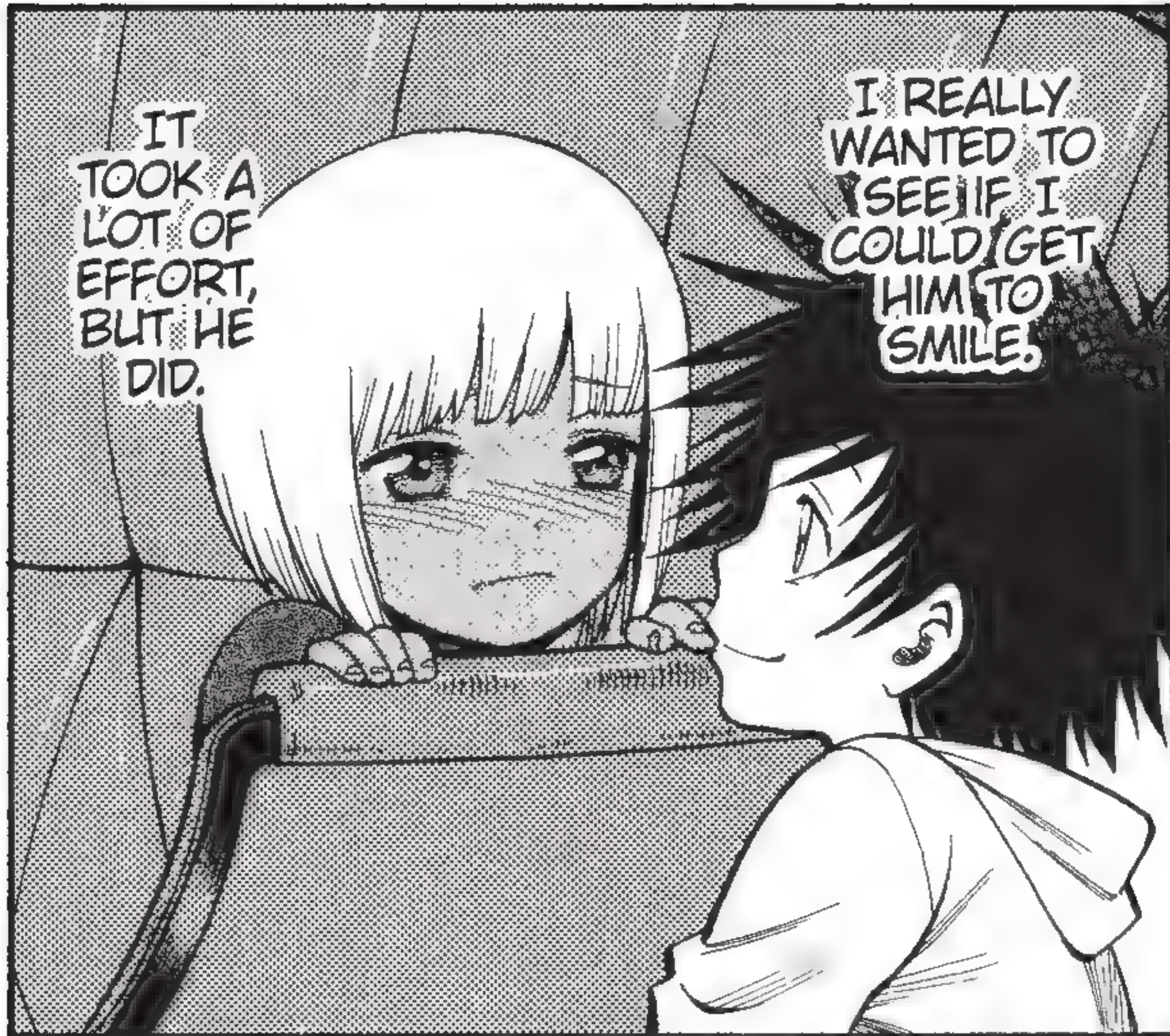












IT  
TOOK A  
LOT OF  
EFFORT,  
BUT HE  
DID.

I REALLY  
WANTED TO  
SEE IF I  
COULD GET  
HIM TO  
SMILE.



HE WAS  
HIDING IN  
A CORNER,  
SHIVERING  
LIKE SOME  
SCARED  
LITTLE  
ANIMAL.



AKIRA  
...

WE WERE  
ALWAYS  
TOGETHER...  
I THOUGHT  
I KNEW  
HIM INSIDE  
AND OUT.




THEN  
CAME  
WINTER,  
TWO  
YEARS  
AGO...

YET  
SOMEHOW,  
I WAS DUMB  
ENOUGH TO  
THINK THAT,  
DESPITE  
EVERYTHING,  
HE'D NEVER  
CHANGE.

I...  
I JUST  
COULDN'T  
TAKE IT.  
SO I KEPT  
PUSHING  
HIM AWAY.





IF YOU  
SAY  
YOU WILL  
NEVER  
RETURN,  
THEN WITH  
MY OWN  
HANDS,  
I WILL...

I  
UNDER-  
STAND  
HOW  
YOU  
FEEL...

THE  
SAME  
THING  
HAPPENED  
TO ME,  
ONCE.




SO  
IT'S NO  
SURPRISE  
HE  
BLAMES  
ME FOR  
IT...

AKIRA,  
NO!  
IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
THAT  
AT ALL!!



I WOULD  
RATHER  
YOU HATE  
ME...

THAN  
FORGET  
ME...



I'M  
SURE THAT,  
EVEN NOW,  
HE STILL  
THINKS OF  
YOU--

IT'S MY  
FAULT HE  
TURNED OUT  
LIKE THIS...  
I'M THE  
ONE WHO  
MADE HIM  
THAT WAY.





BE-  
SIDES,  
I'M  
FINE.  
PRO-  
MISE.

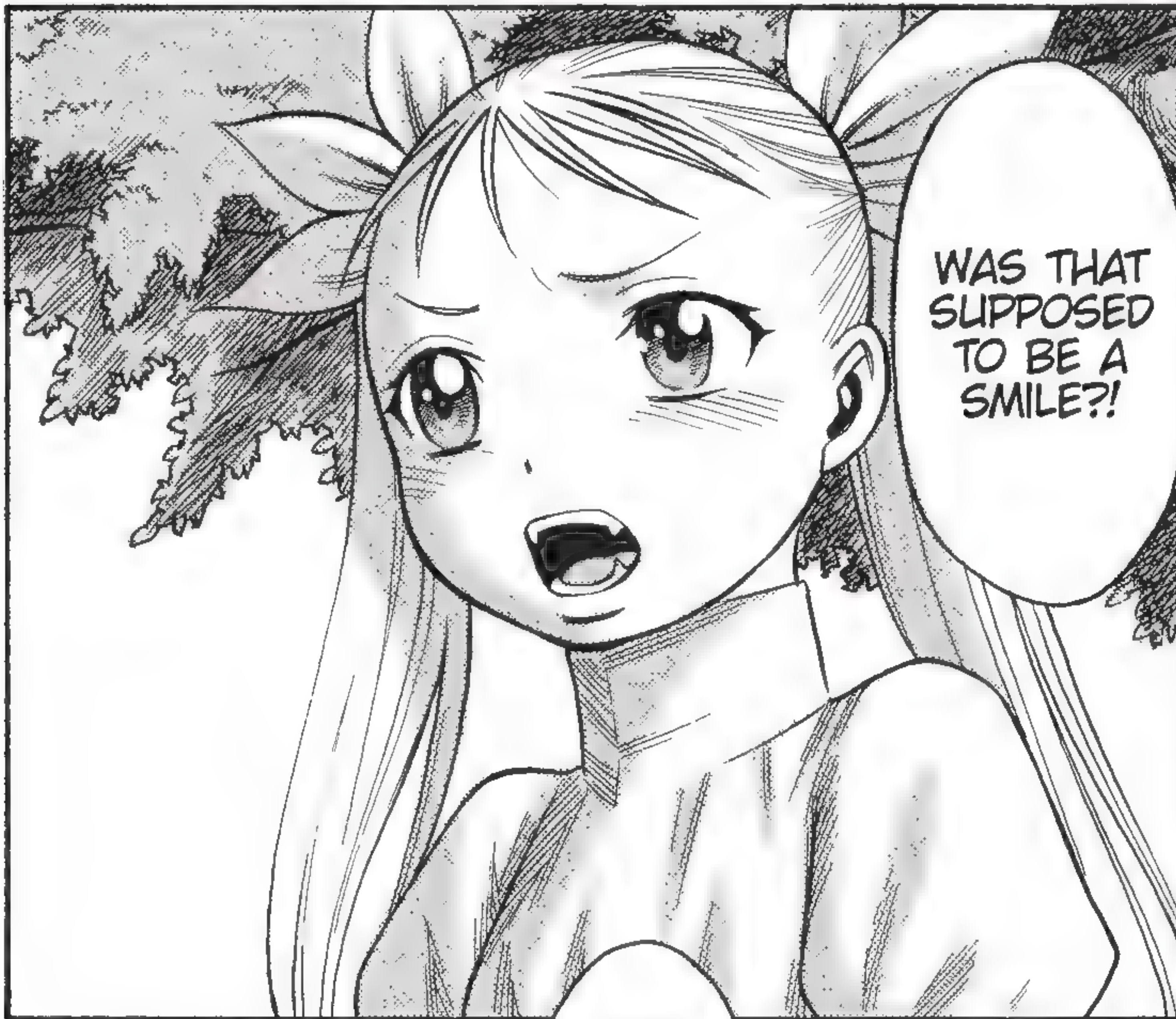


C'MON,  
HIME-  
SAN. I'M  
GETTING  
HUNGRY.



WAIT  
...

WHY AM I  
ATTEMPTING  
TO DEFEND  
HIM?  
HMPH!



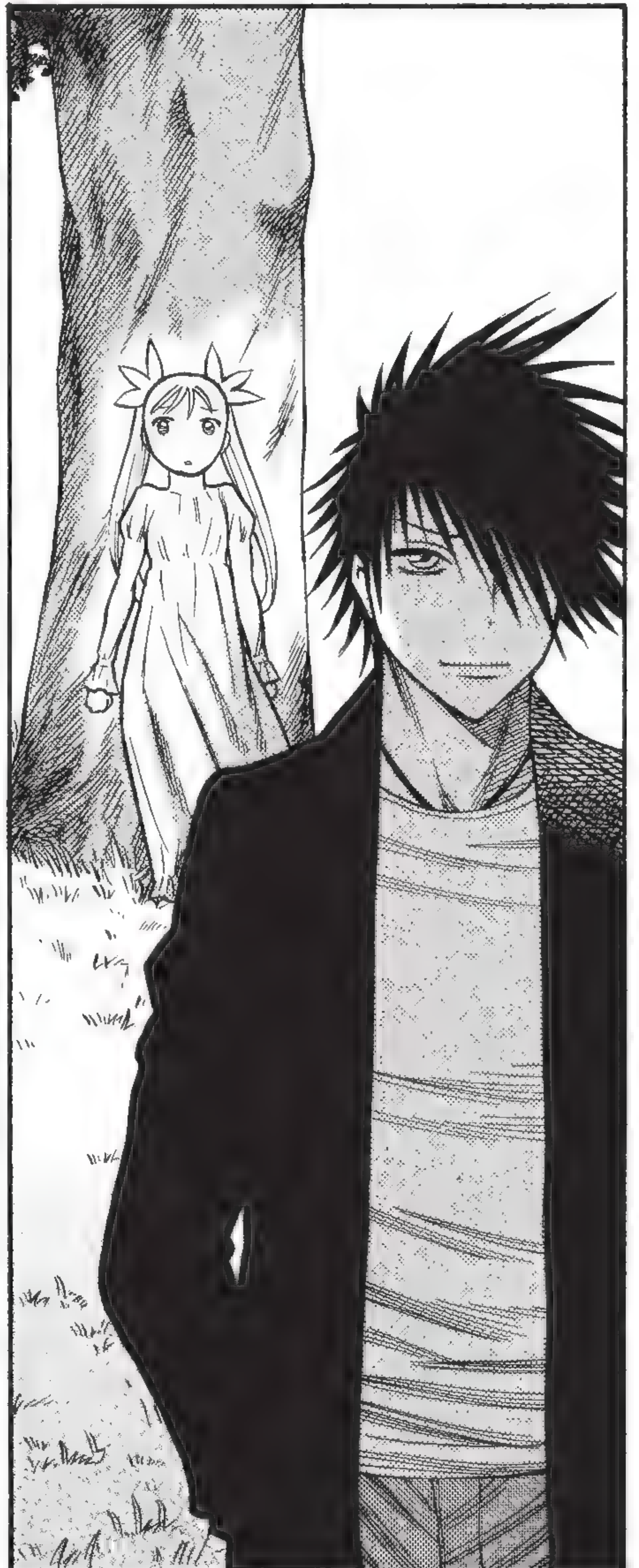
WAS THAT  
SUPPOSED  
TO BE A  
SMILE?!



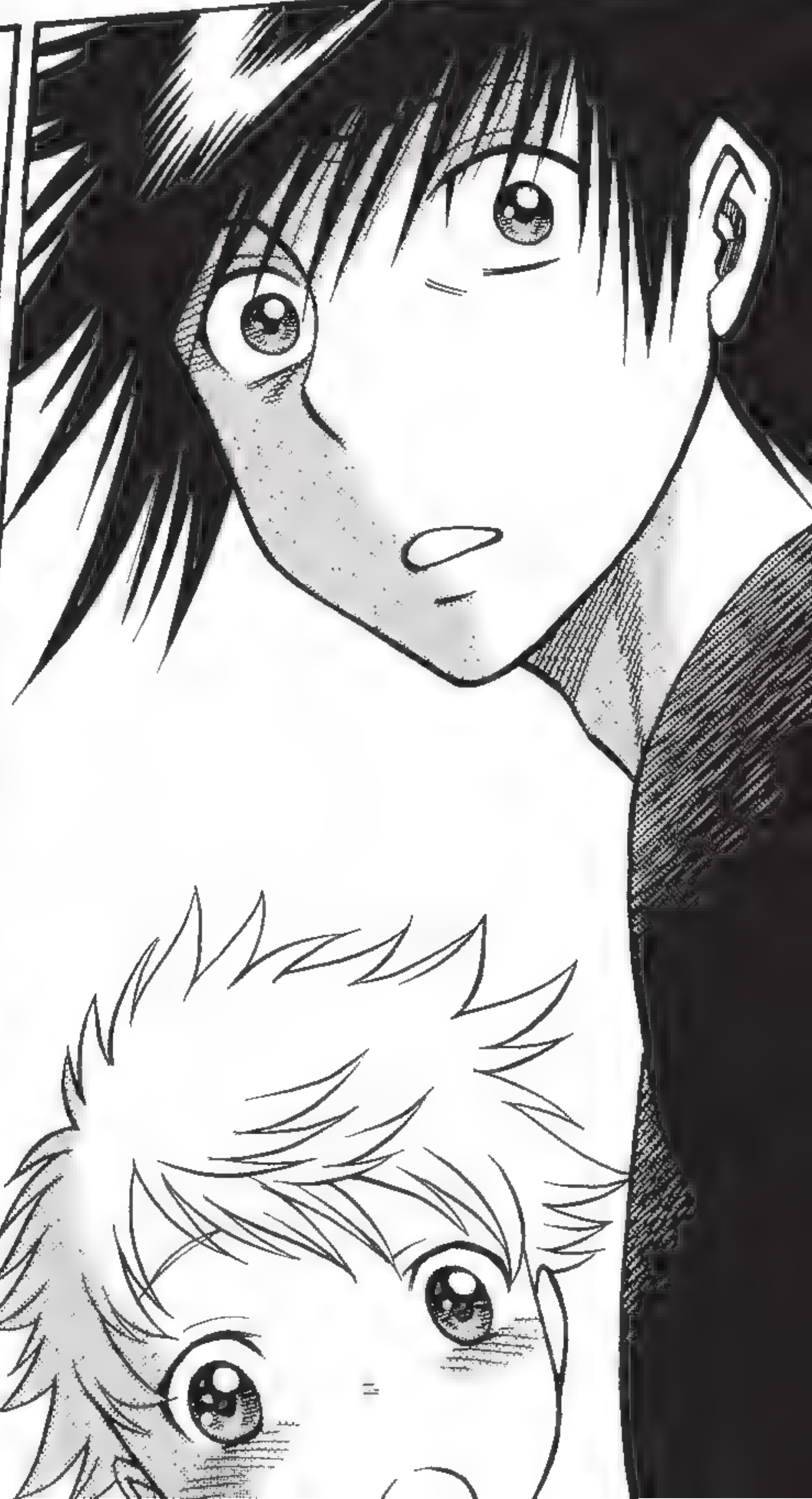
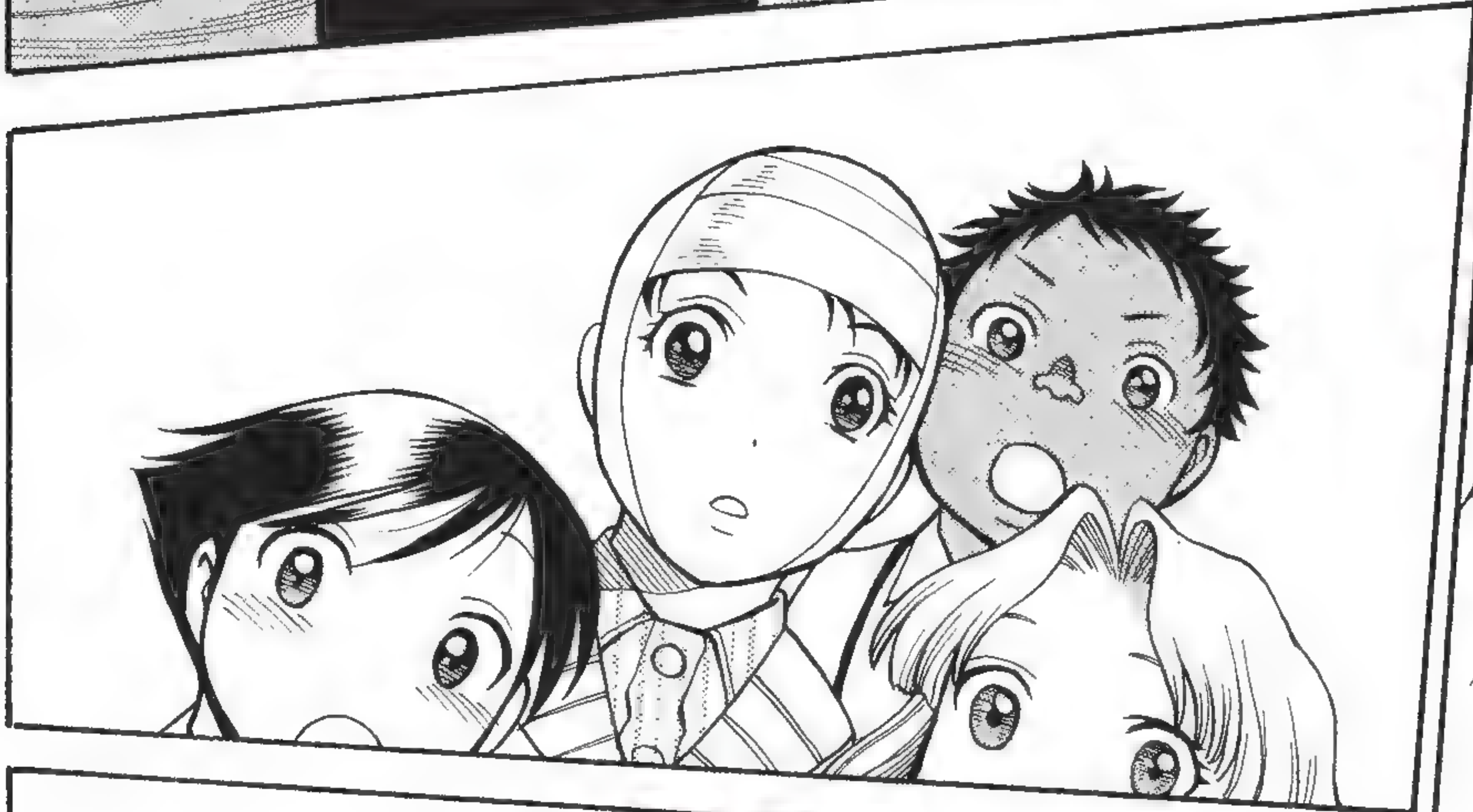
OKAY  
!!



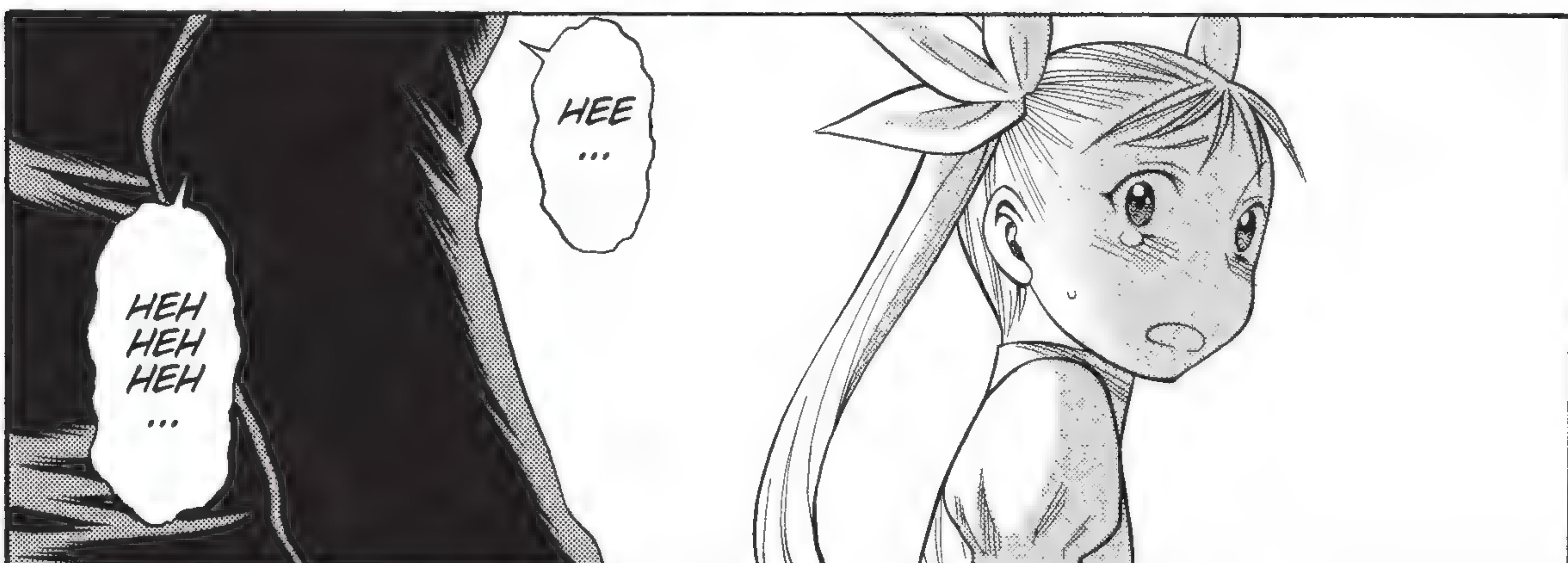
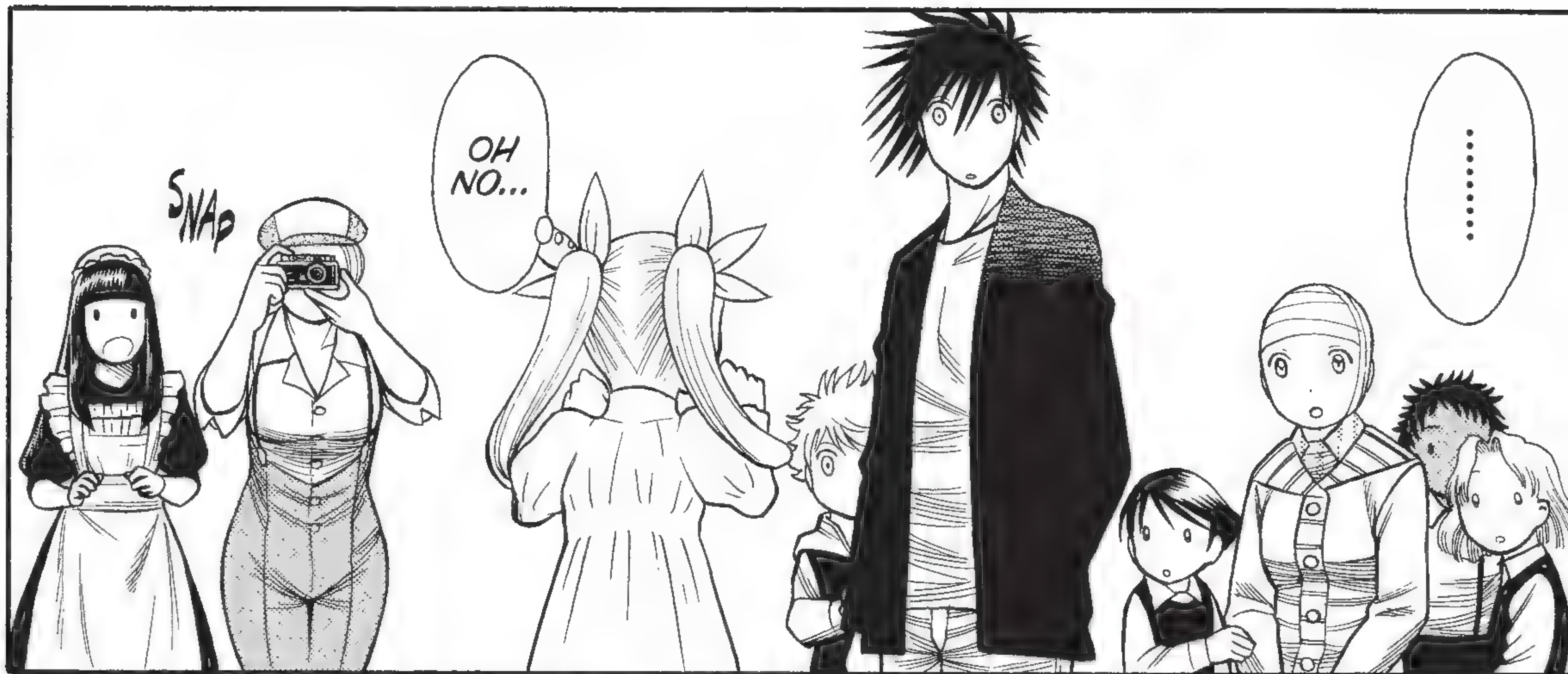
TRUE  
SMILES  
ARE  
MORE  
LIKE...  
LIKE  
THIS!  
HMM...







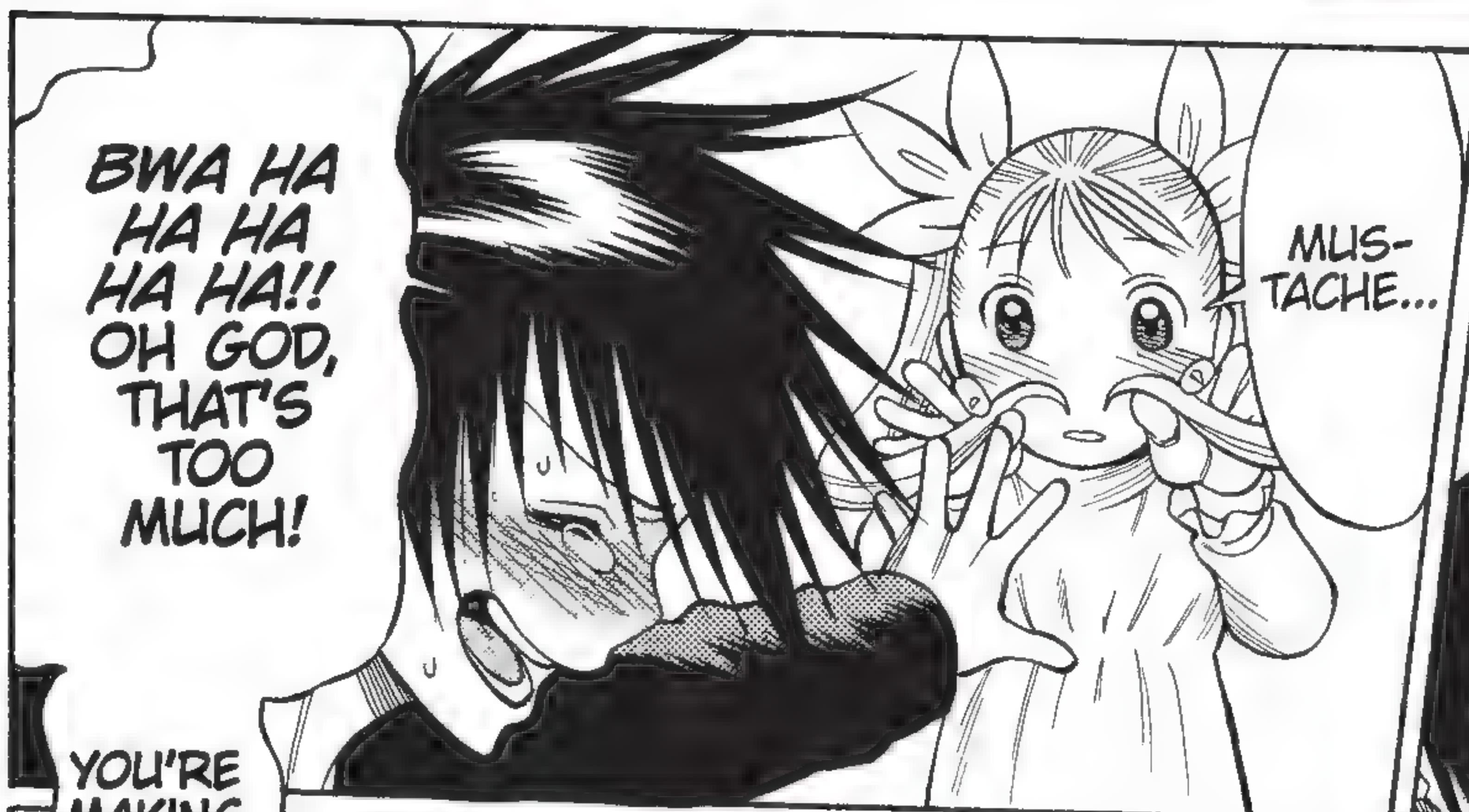
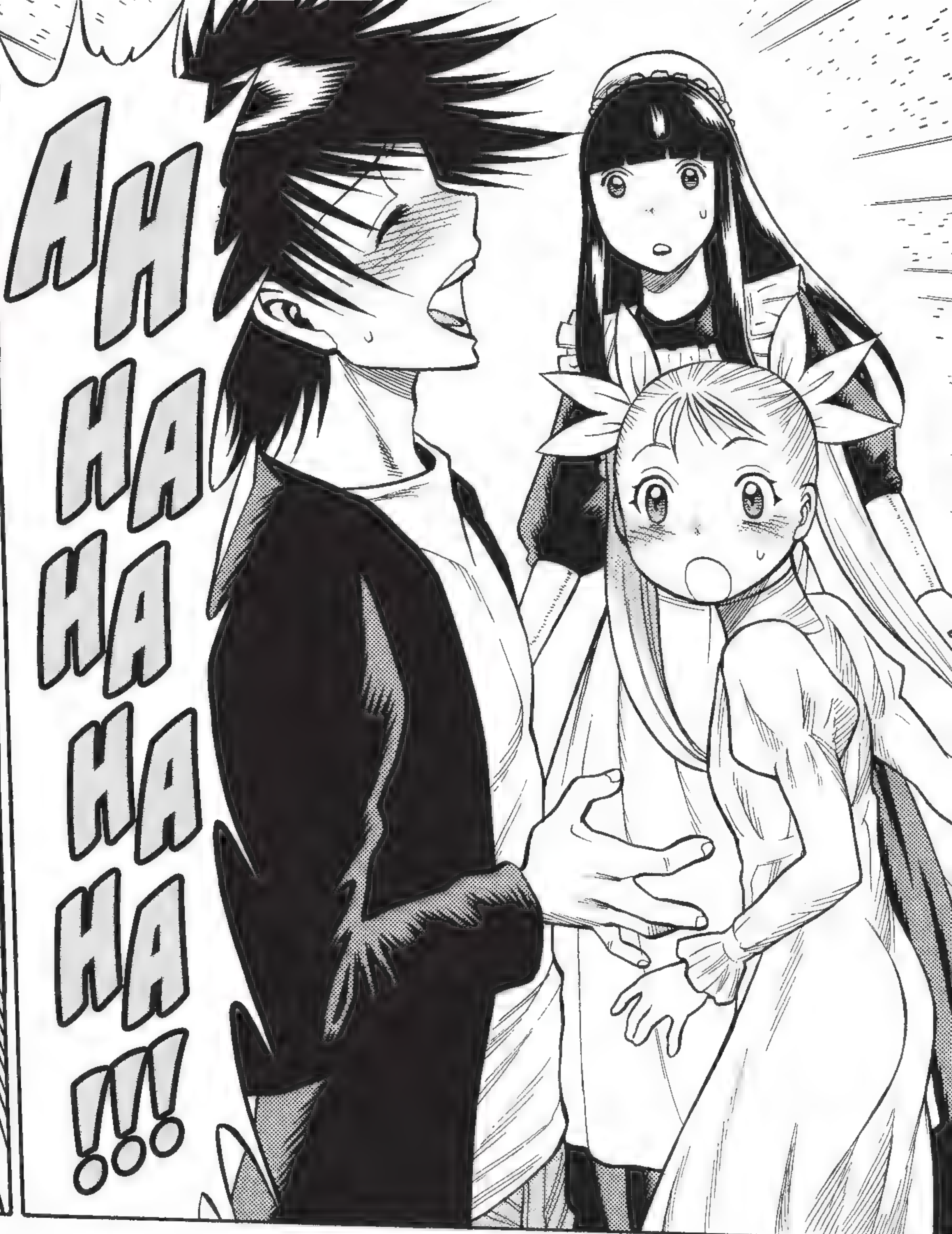




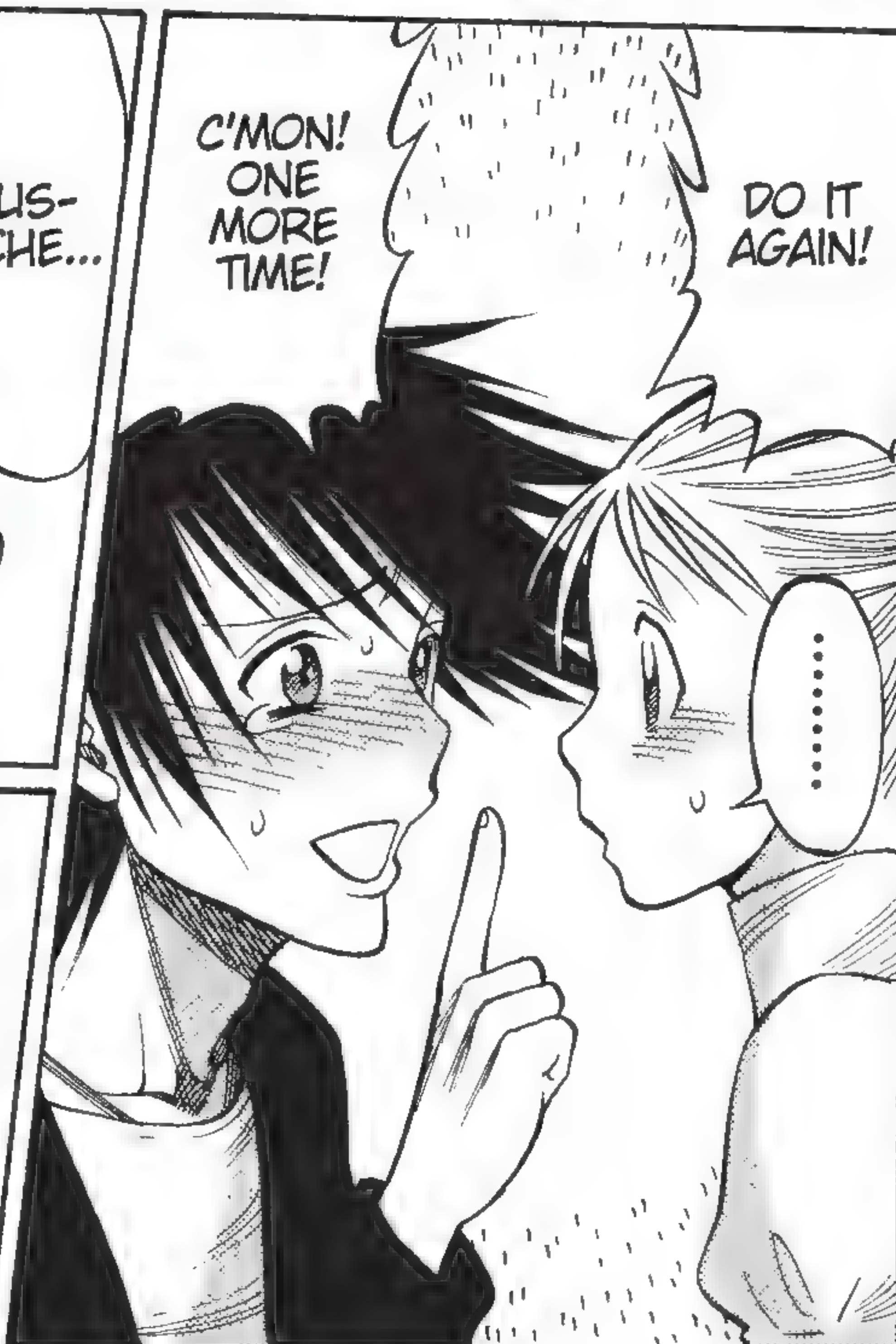
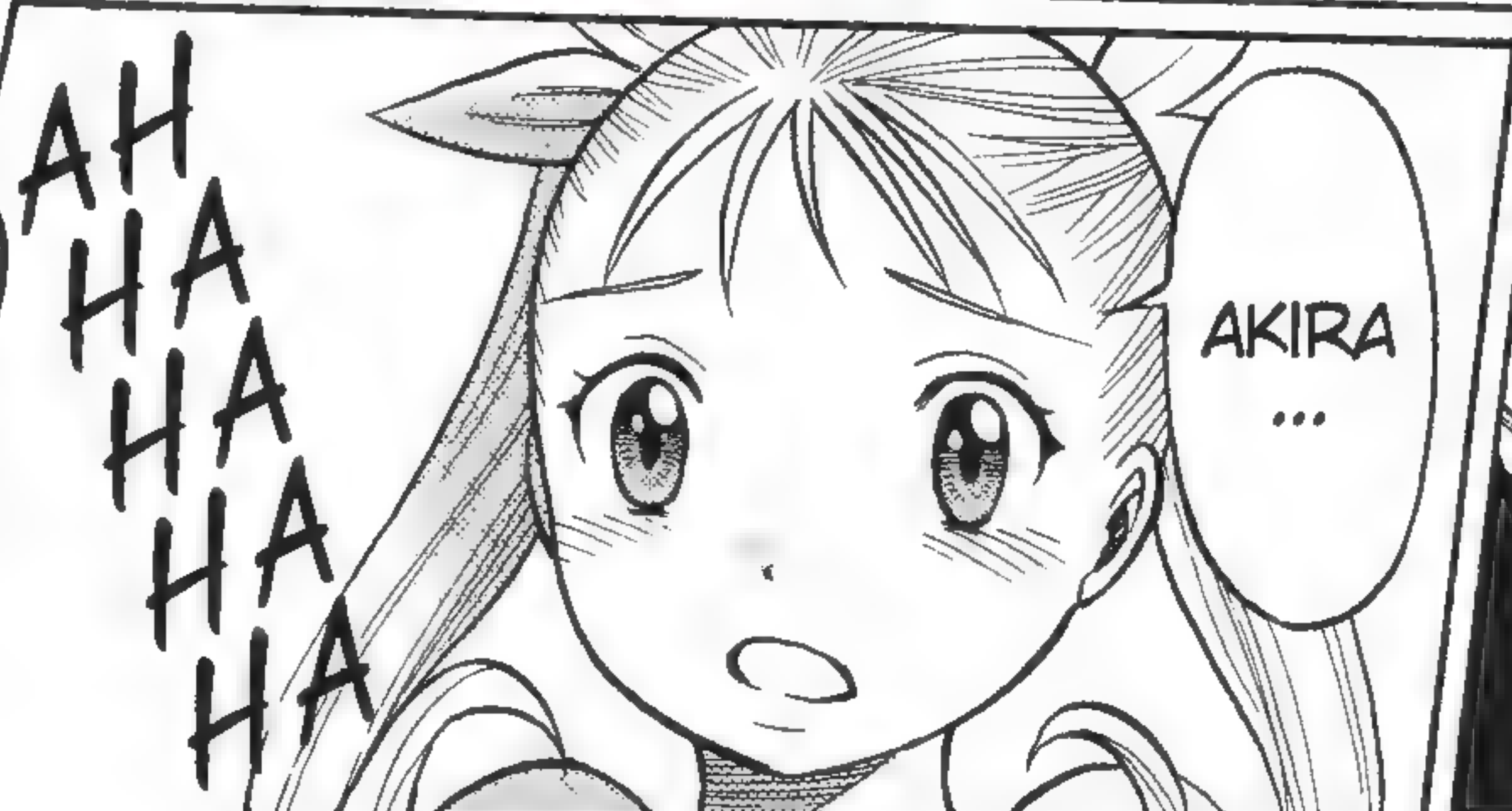




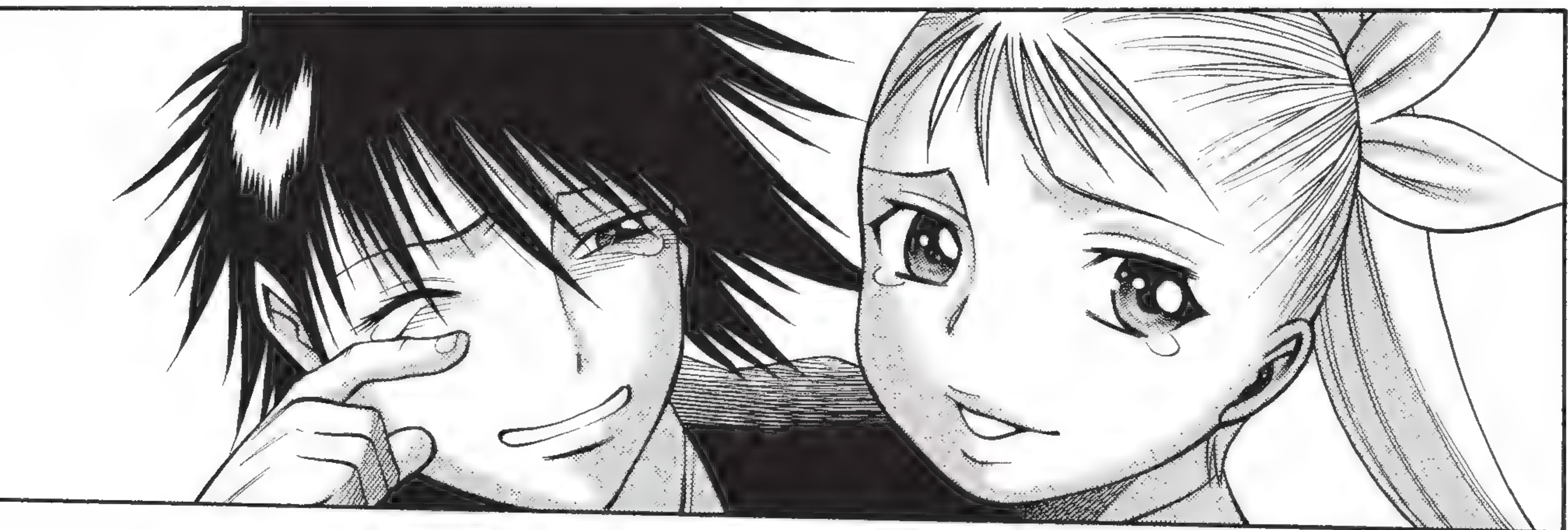
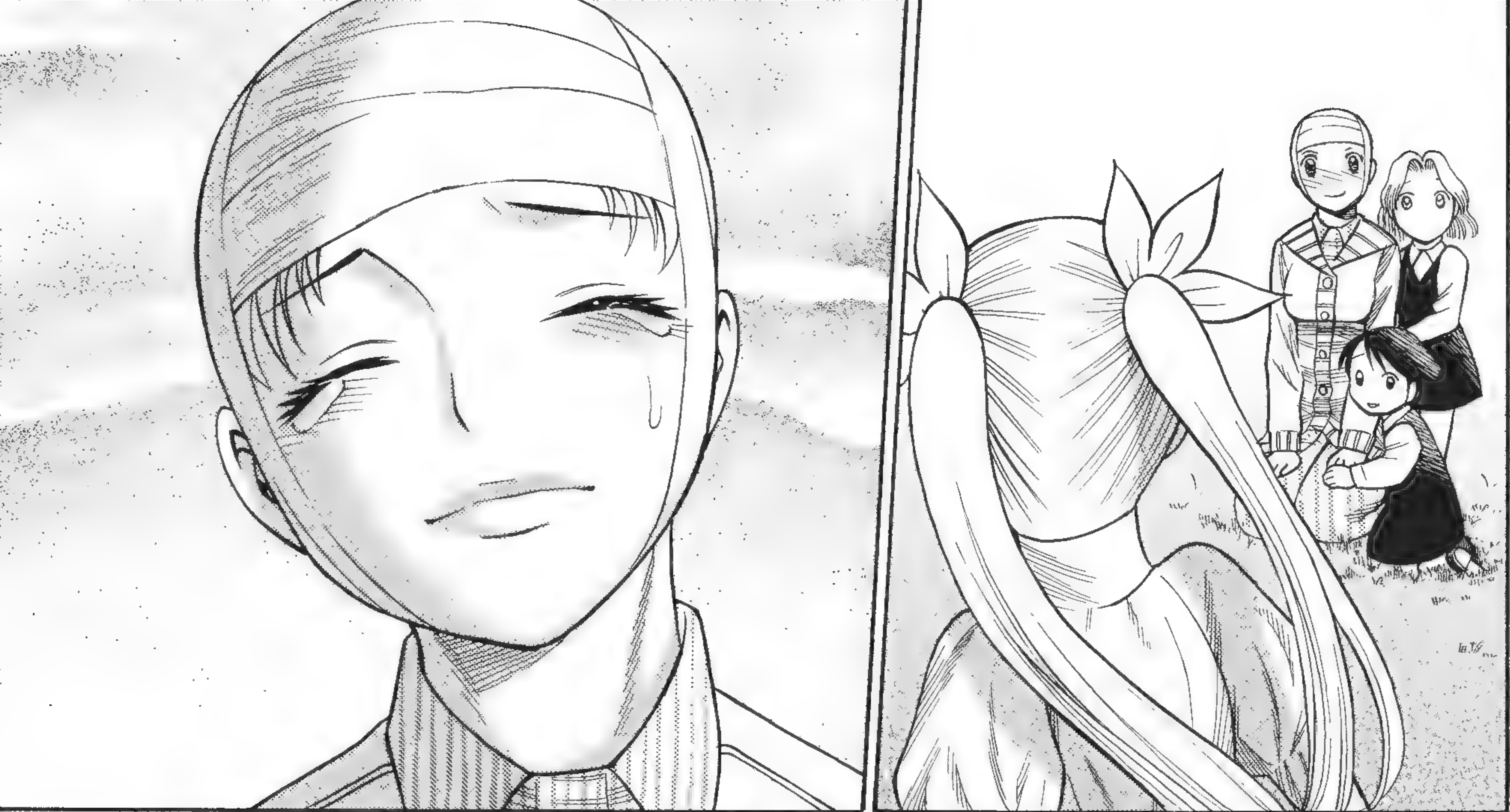
AHA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA!!



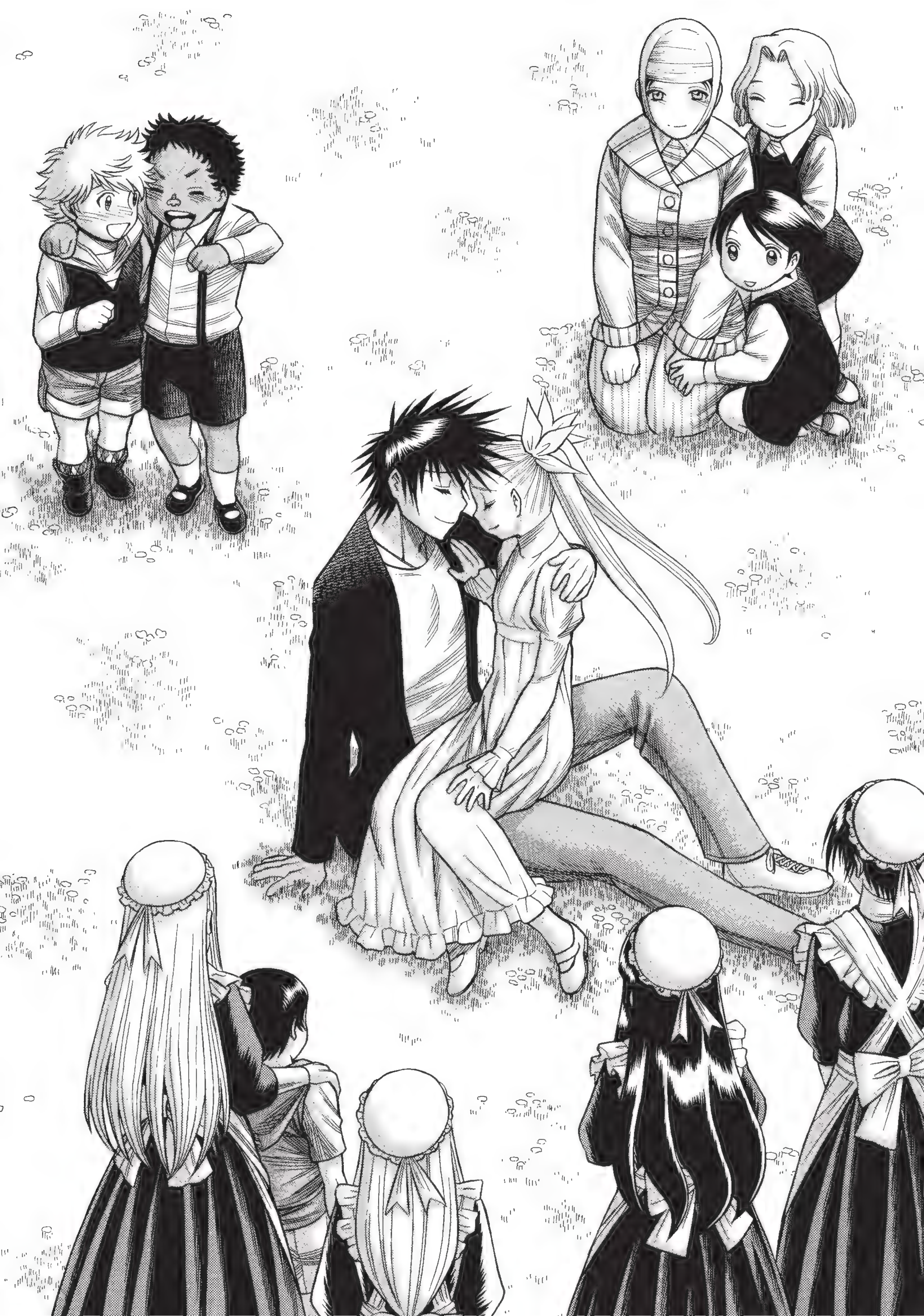
YOU'RE  
MAKING  
MY  
GUTS  
HURT,  
I'M  
LAUGH-  
ING SO  
HARD!



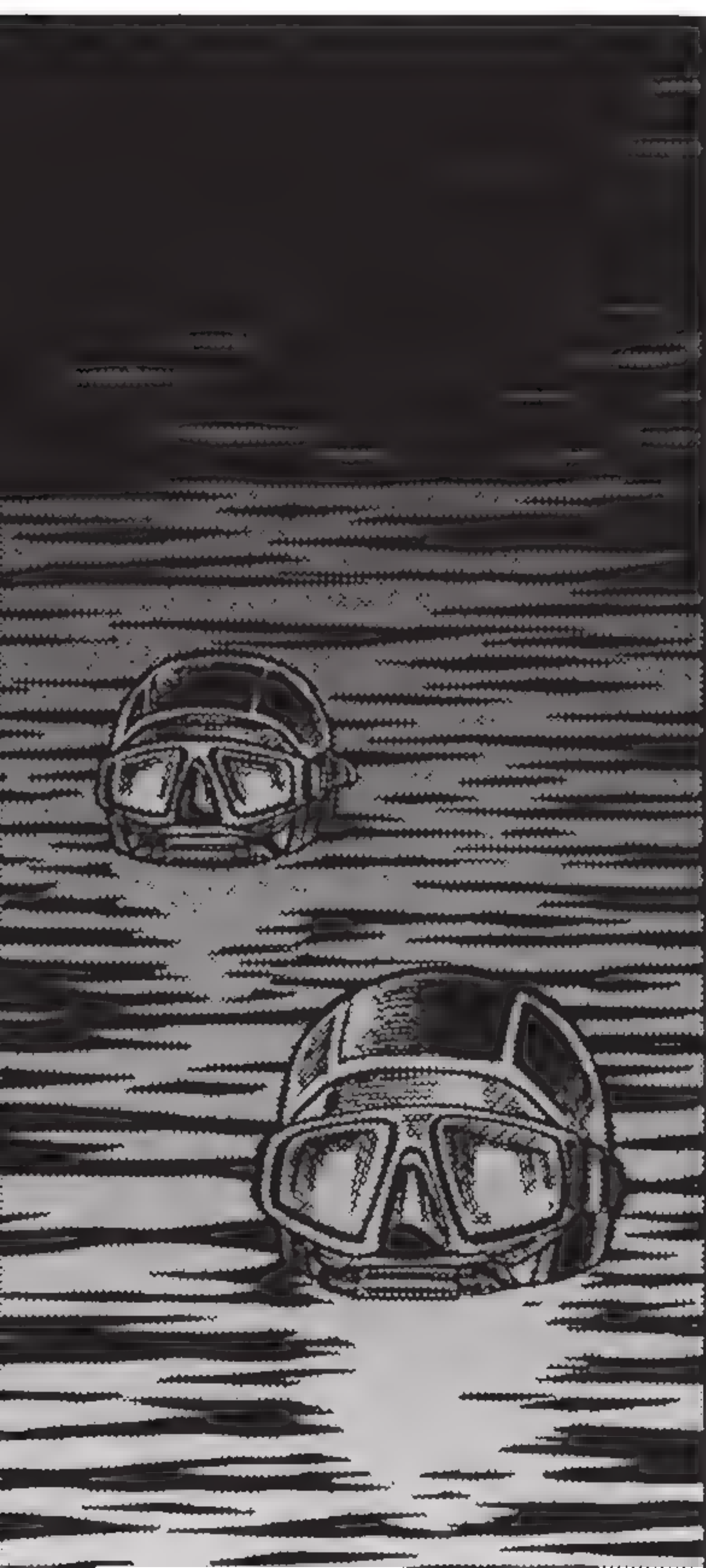








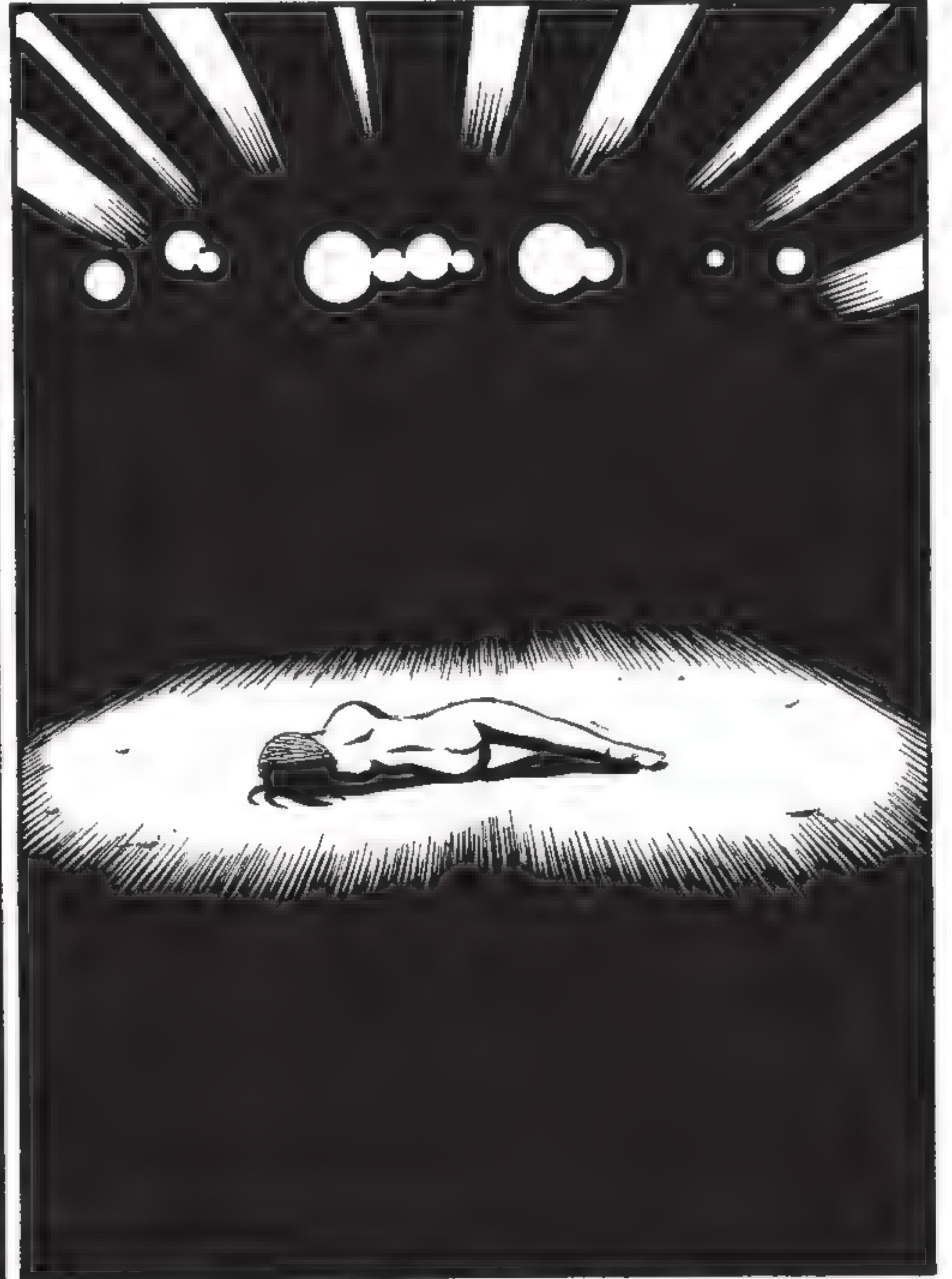
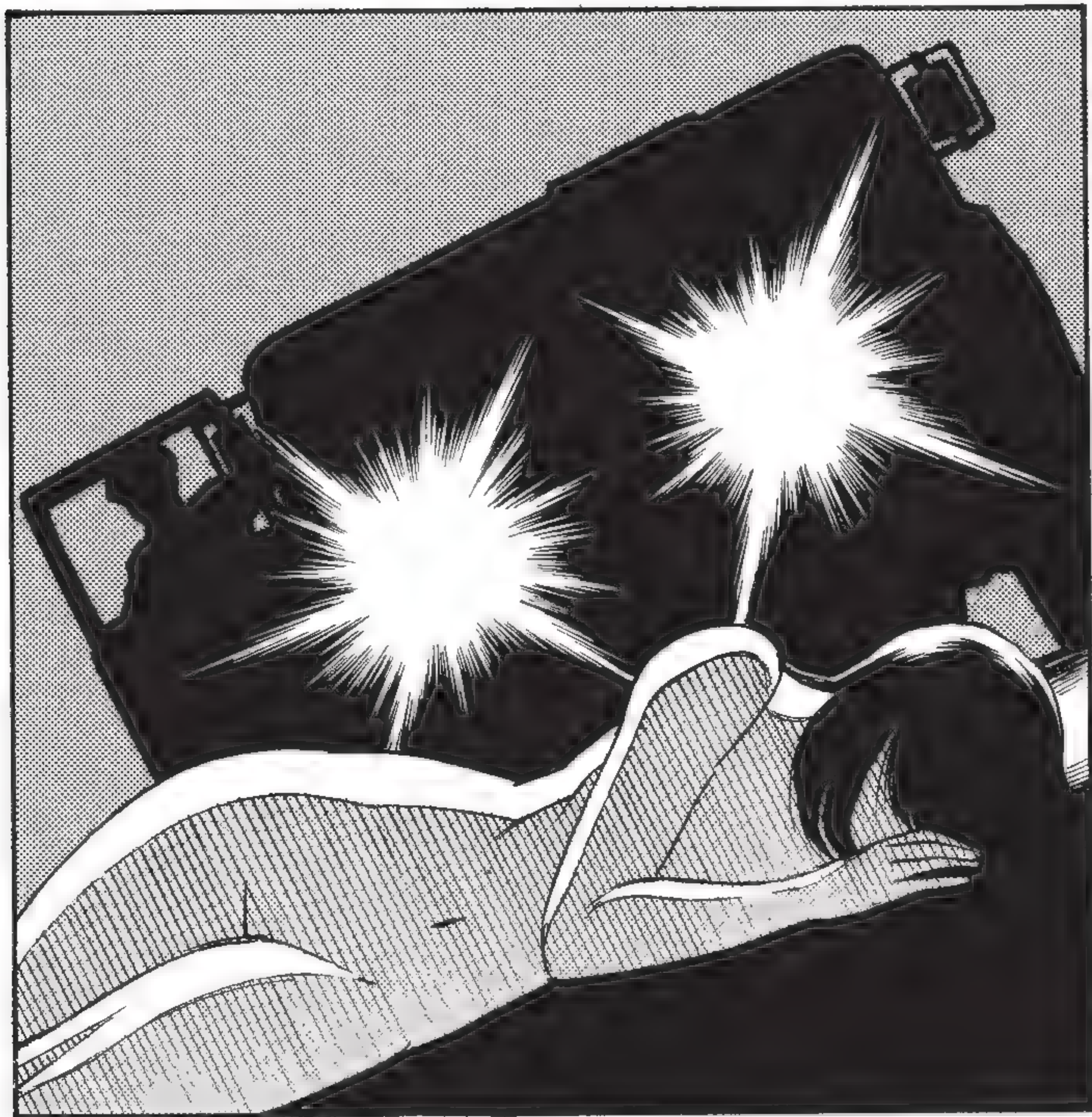
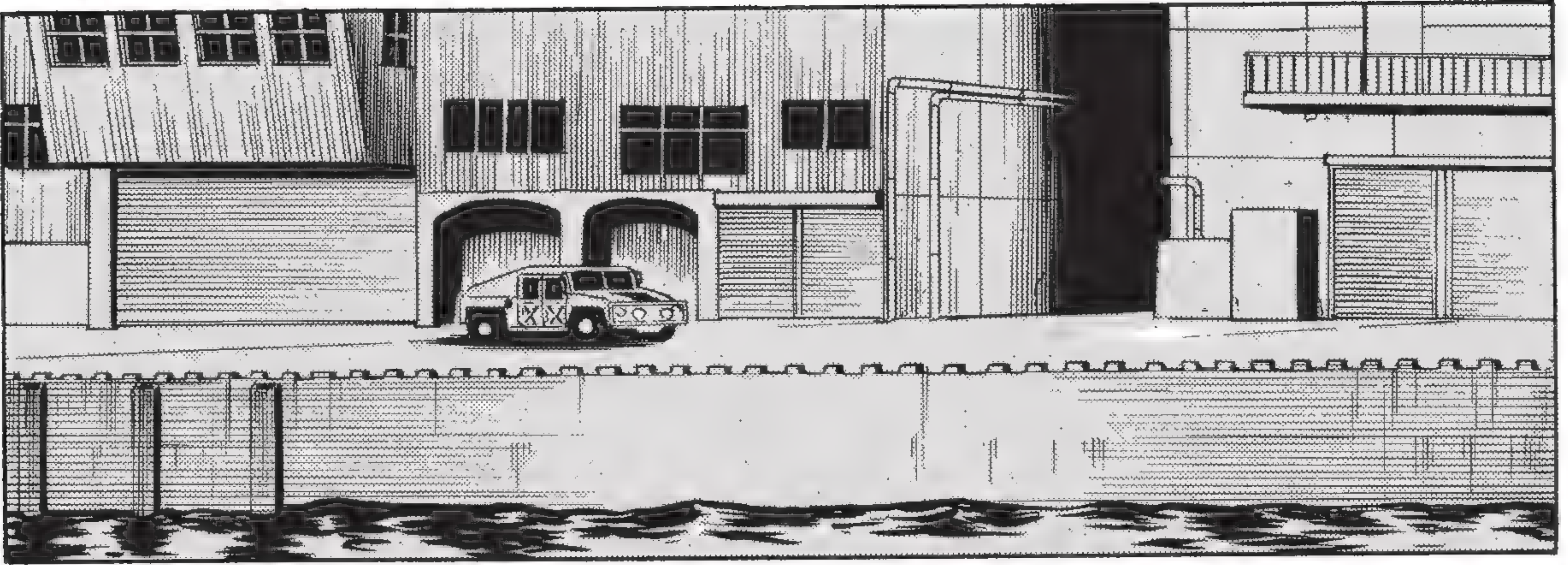




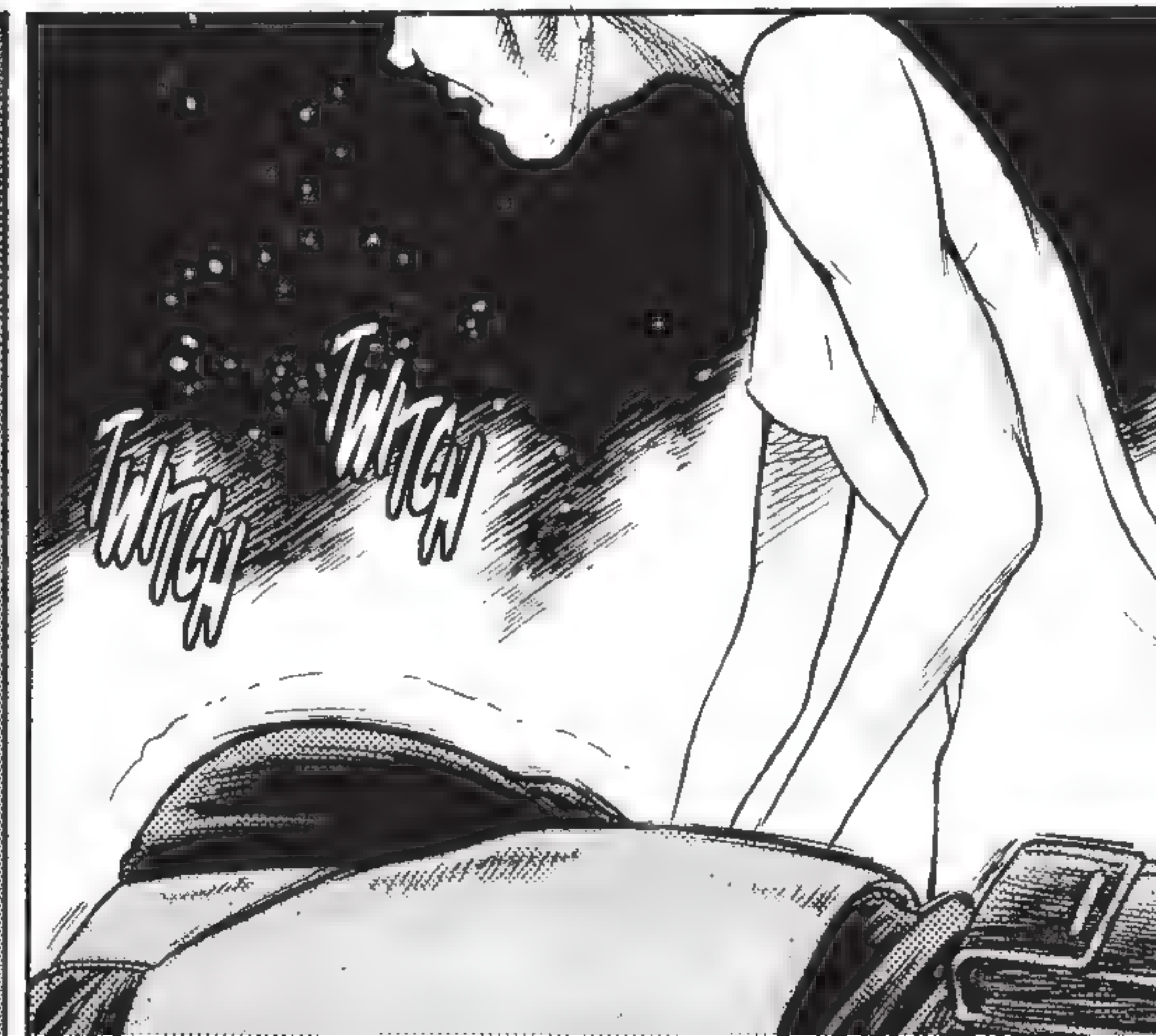
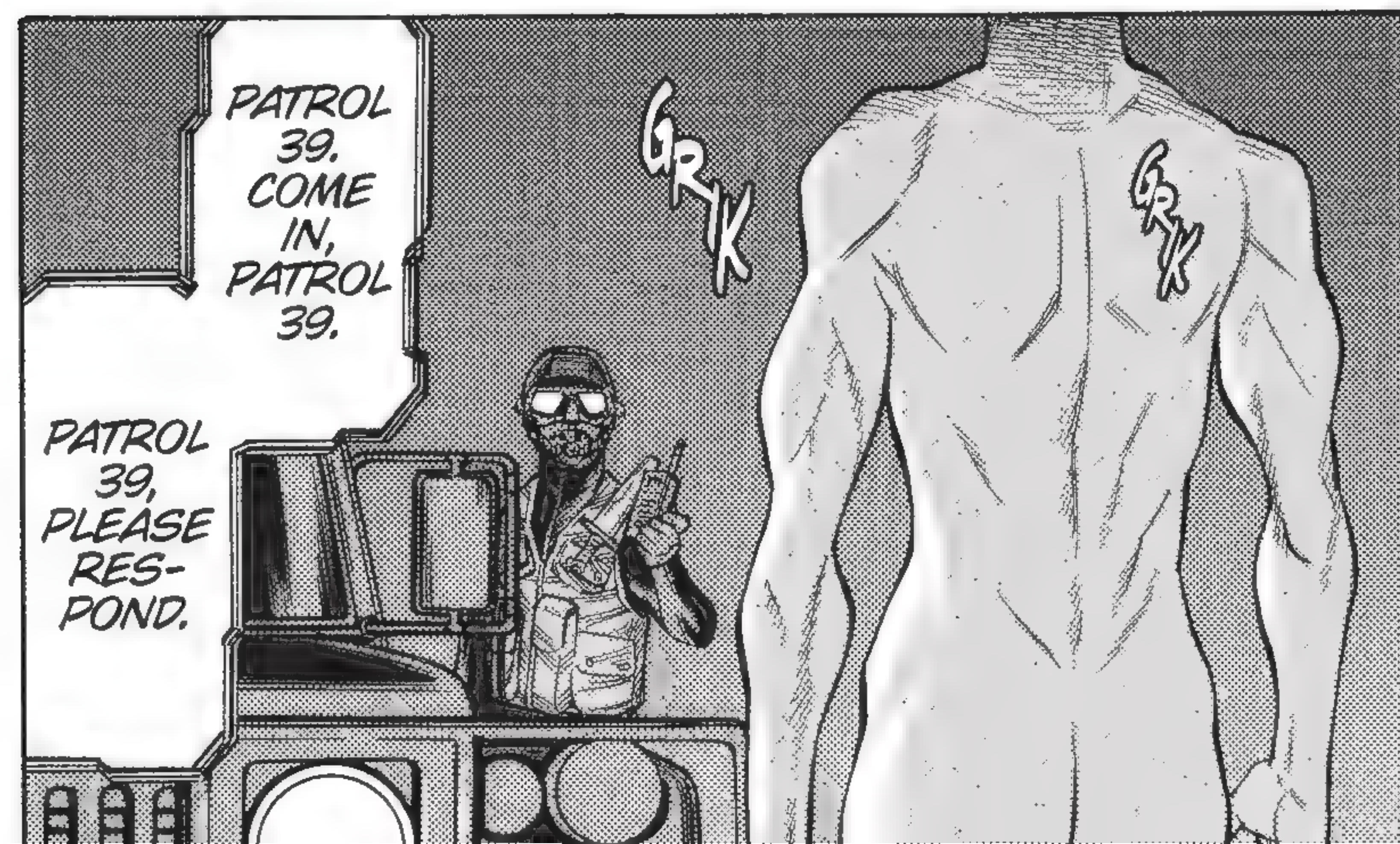
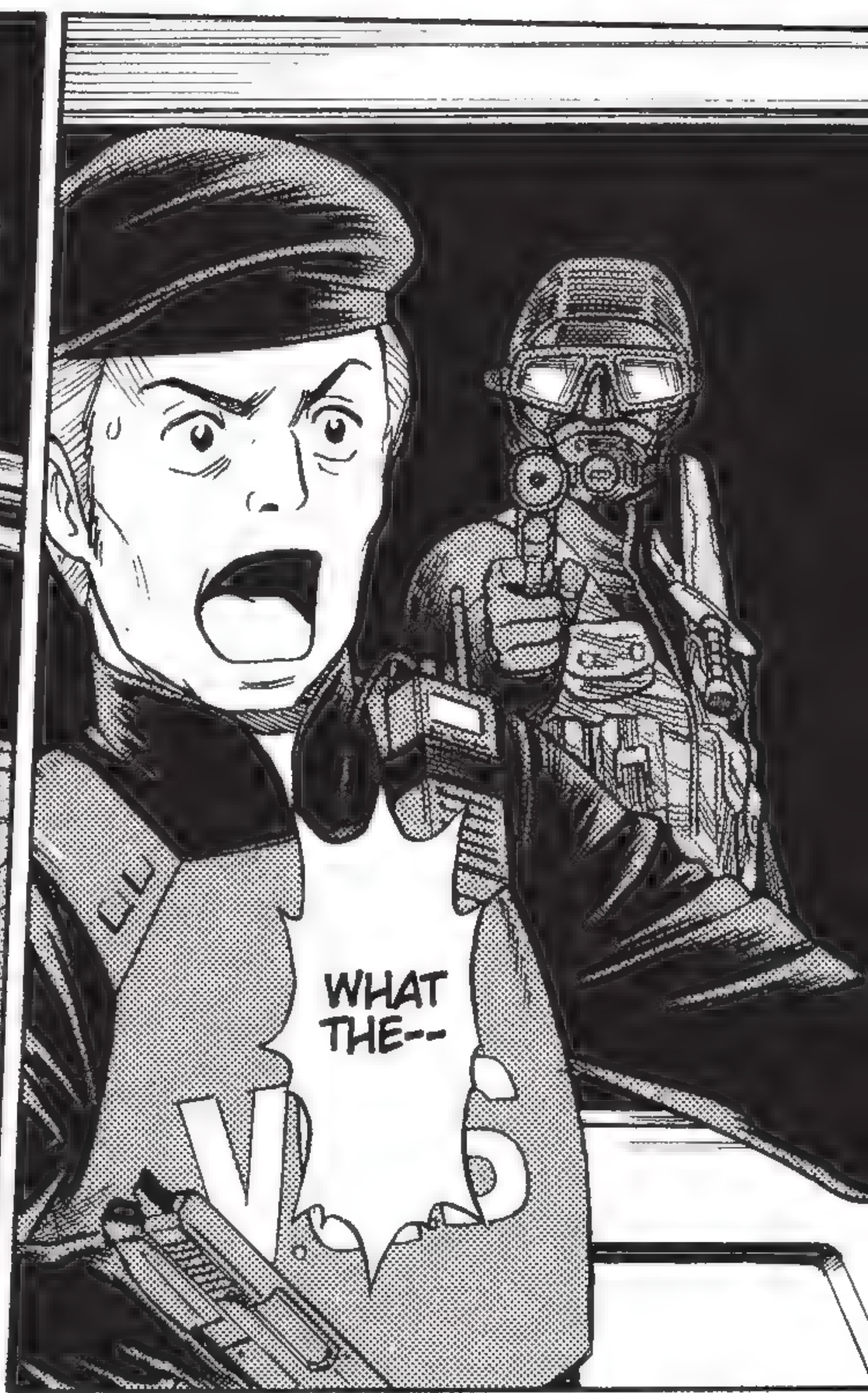














## Chapter 51: The First to Come



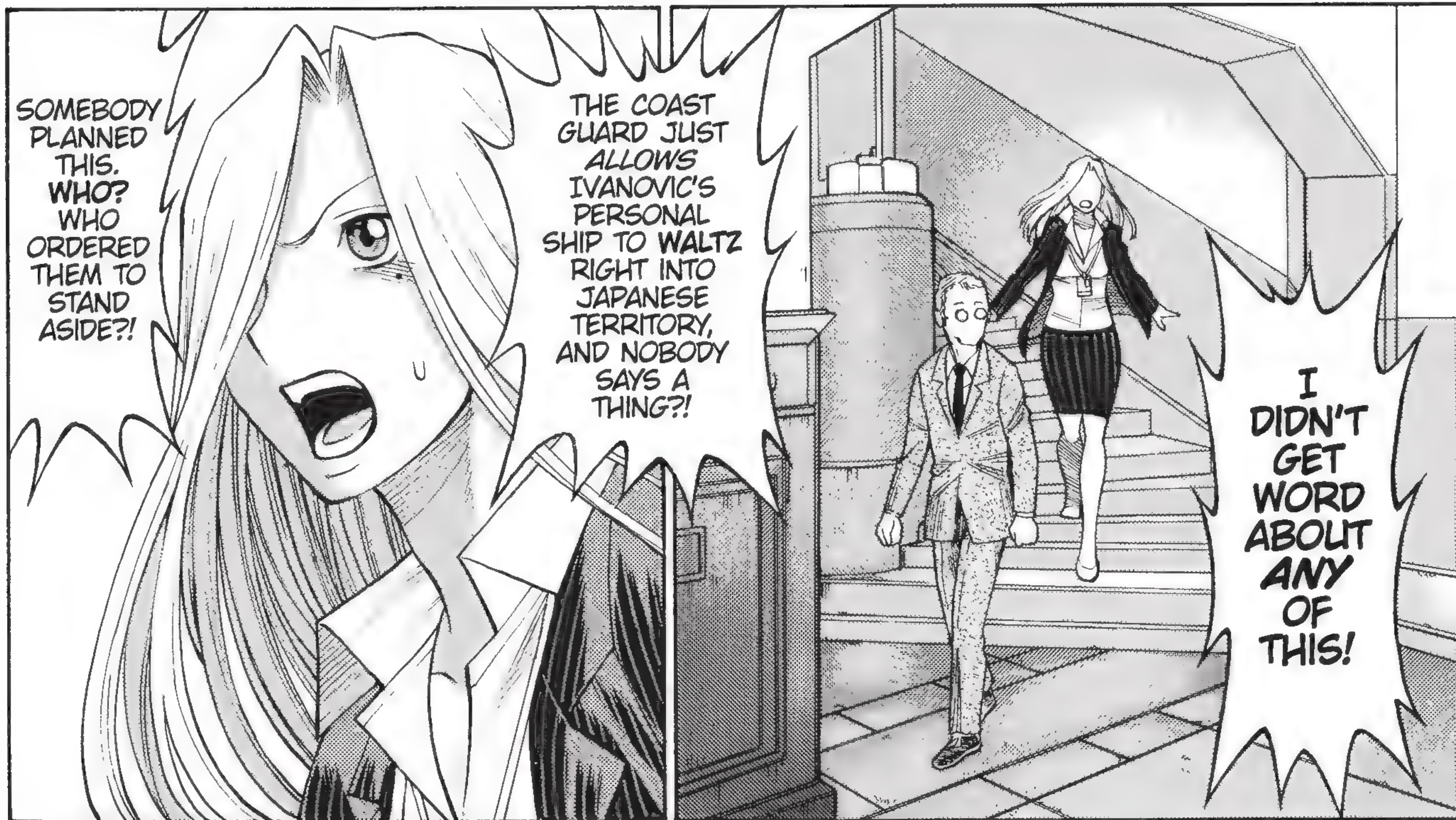
CONTINUING  
OUR  
CIRCUIT.

THIS IS  
PATROL 39.  
NO  
PROBLEMS  
HERE.





MINISTER,  
WHAT  
IS GOING  
ON  
HERE?!



SOMEBODY  
PLANNED  
THIS.  
WHO?  
WHO  
ORDERED  
THEM TO  
STAND  
ASIDE?!

THE COAST  
GUARD JUST  
ALLOWS  
IVANOVIC'S  
PERSONAL  
SHIP TO WALTZ  
RIGHT INTO  
JAPANESE  
TERRITORY,  
AND NOBODY  
SAYS A  
THING?!

I  
DIDN'T  
GET  
WORD  
ABOUT  
ANY  
OF  
THIS!



THERE  
IS A  
RUMOR,  
THOUGH.

SOMEBODY  
FROM THE  
AZABU AREA  
SWINGING  
THEIR  
WEIGHT  
AROUND,  
OR SOME  
SUCH.



THE AGREEMENT  
SIGNED BY  
THE JAPANESE  
GOVERNMENT  
STIPULATED THAT  
THEY WOULD  
INFORM THE  
BUND OF ANY  
POSSIBLE  
SECURITY ISSUES  
PERTAINING  
TO THE VAMPIRE  
NATION  
IMMEDIATELY!

I  
ALREADY  
SAID I  
DON'T  
KNOW WHY,  
COUNCILOR.

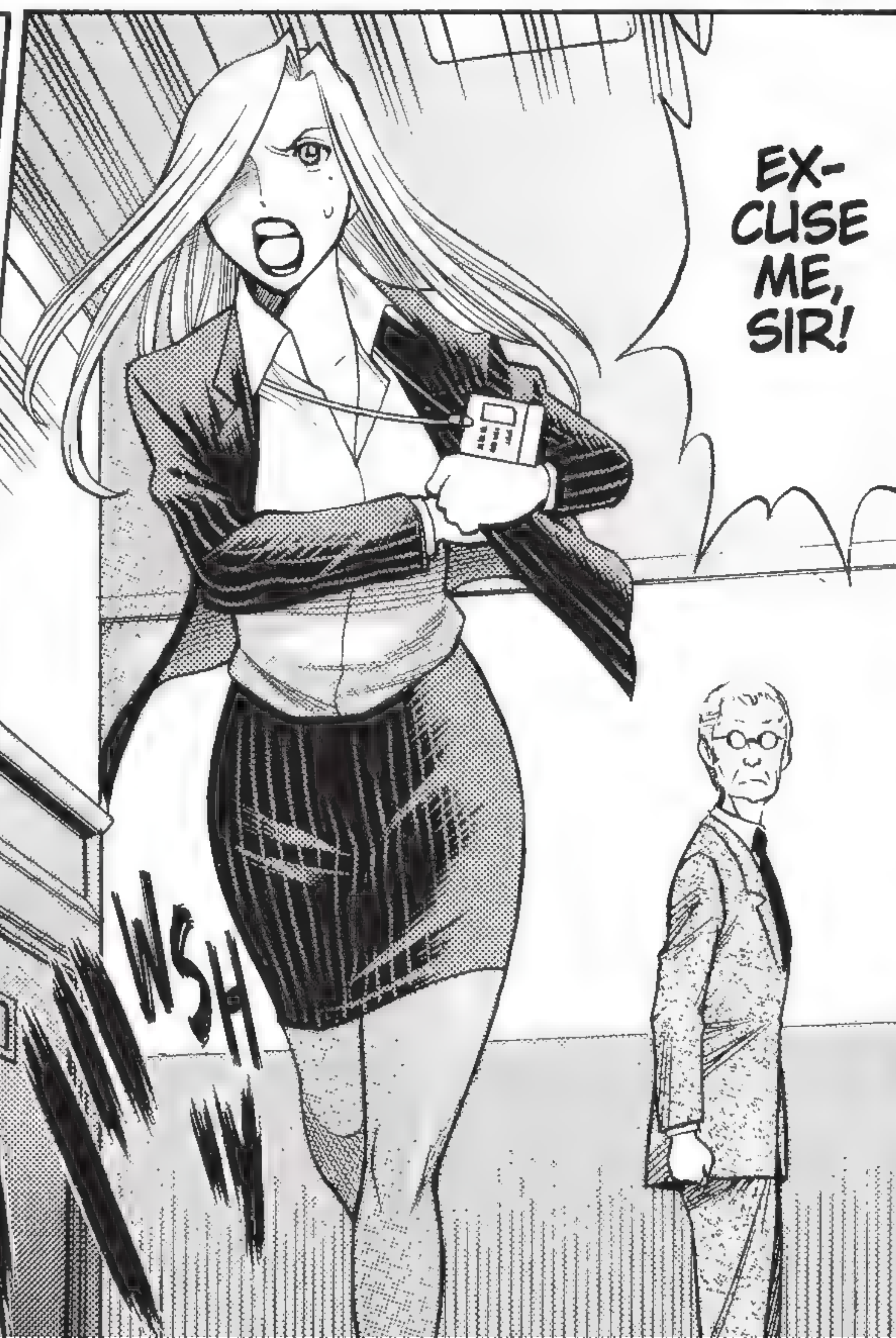
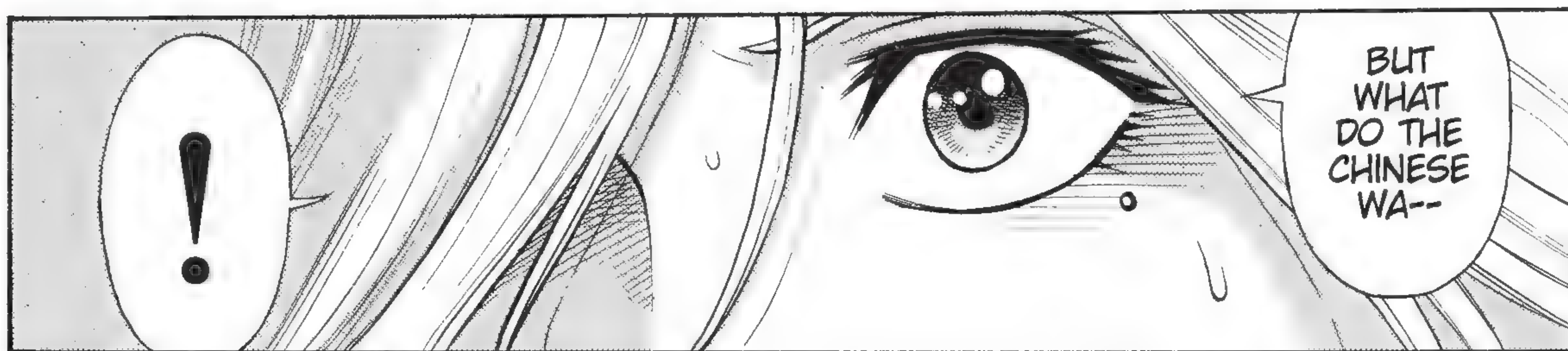
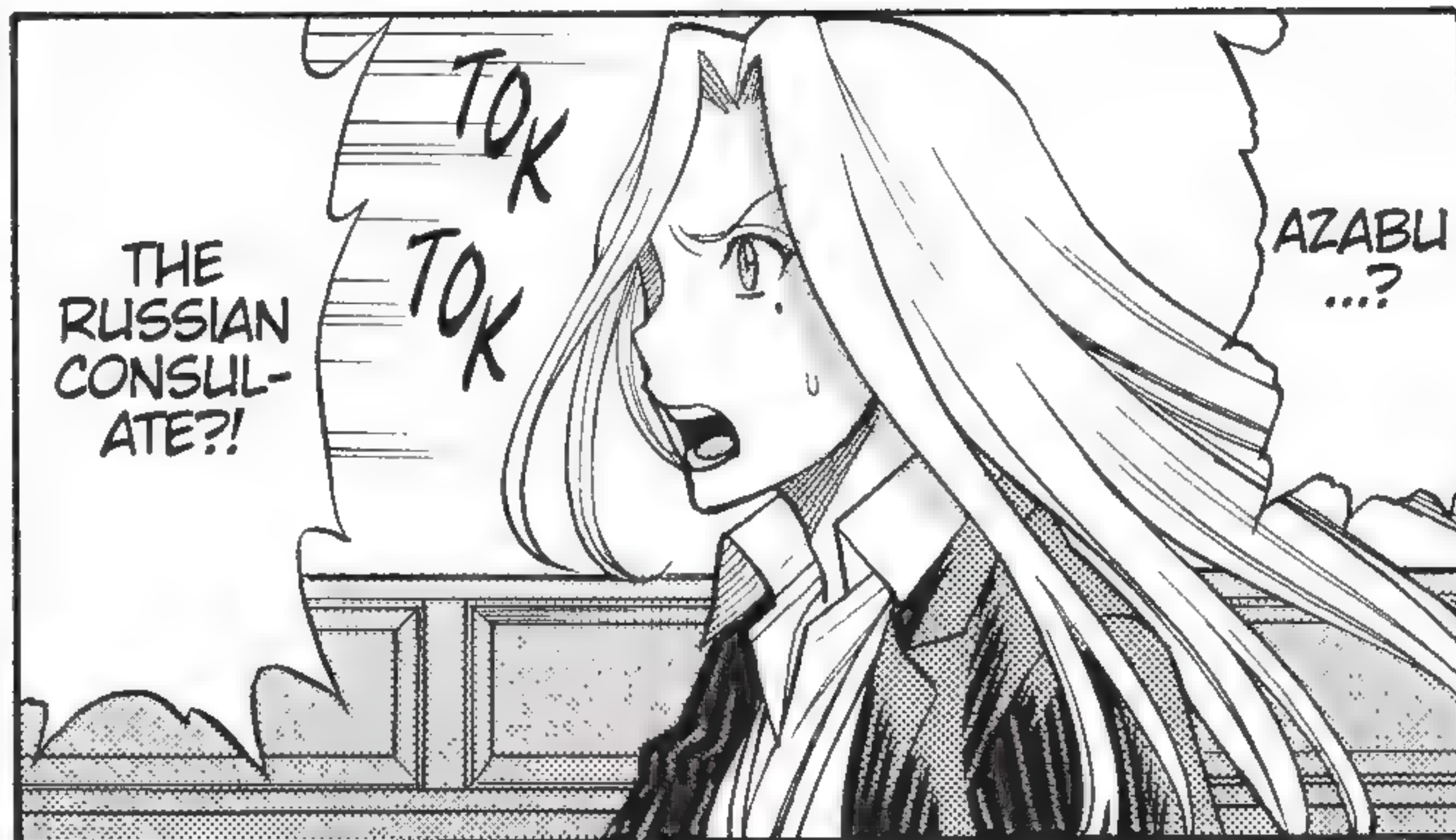
THE  
CABINET?!  
THEN  
THIS IS A  
SEVERE  
BREACH  
OF CON-  
TRACT,  
MINISTER!



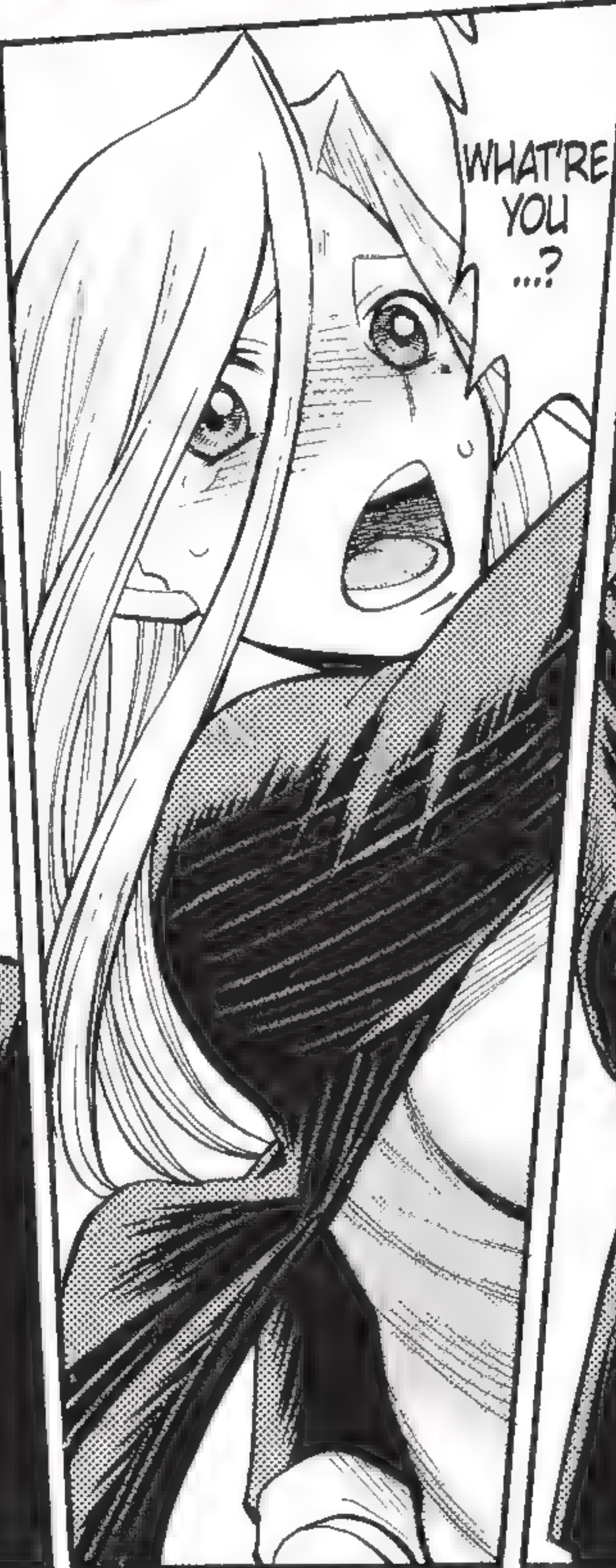
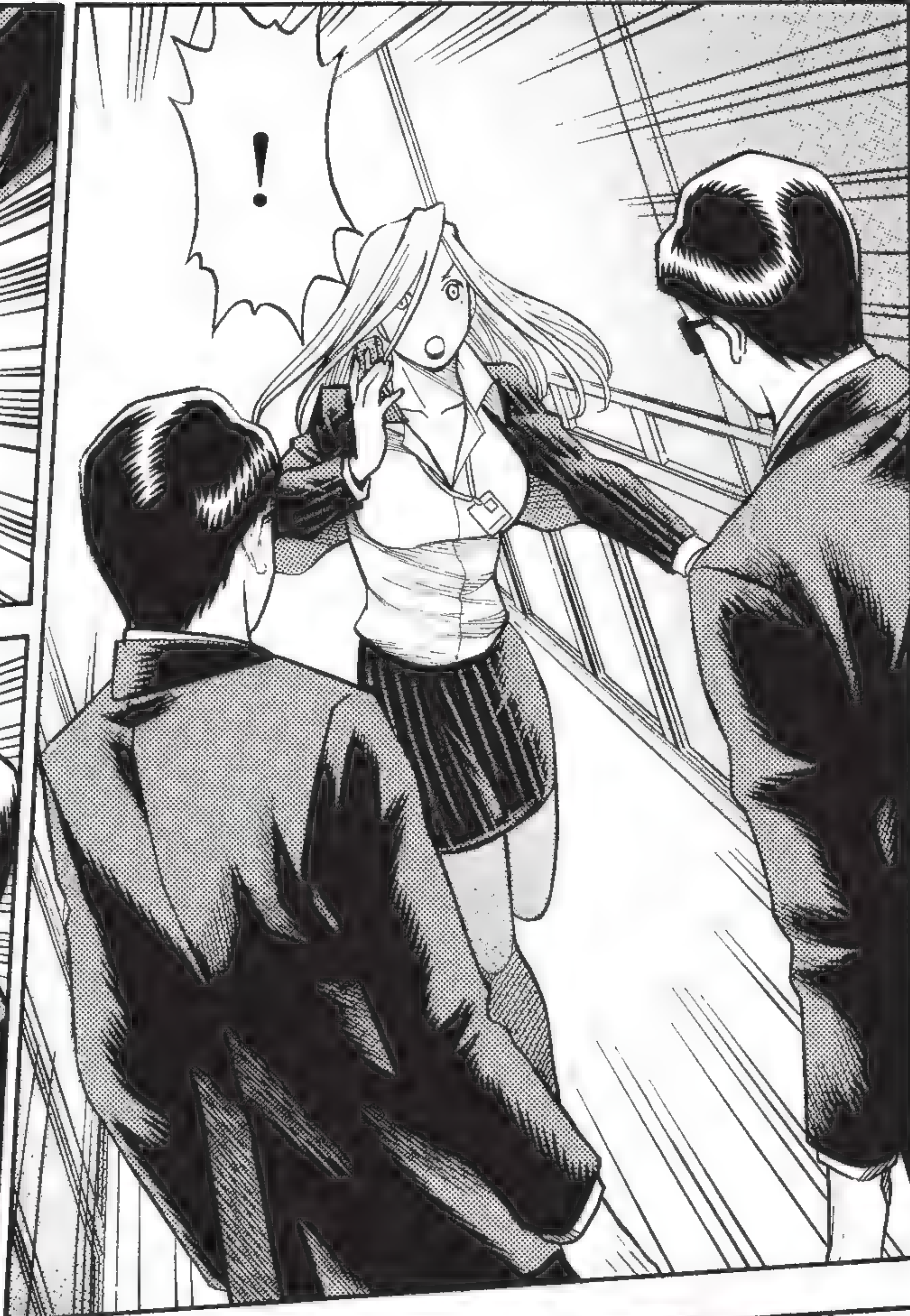
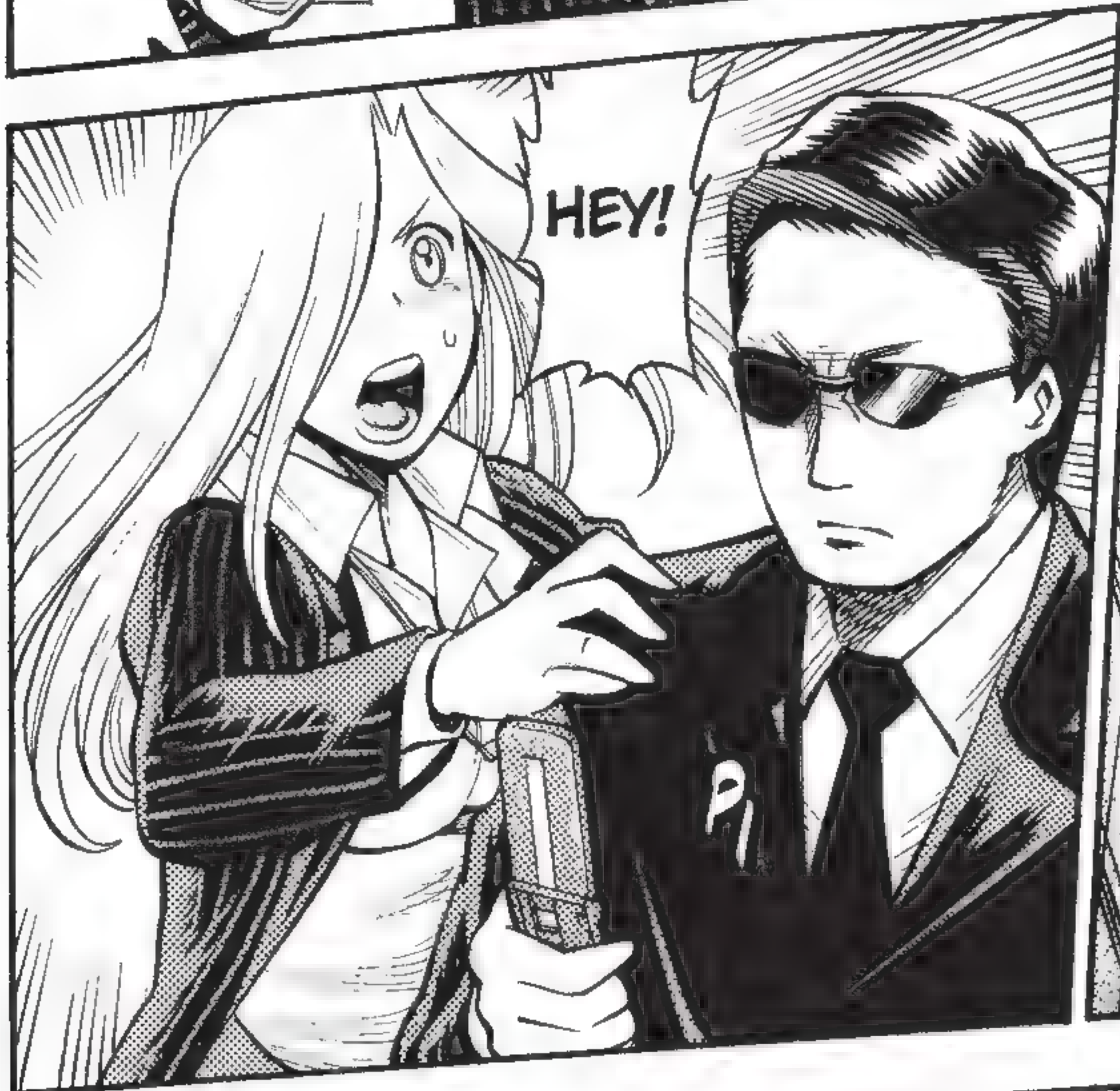
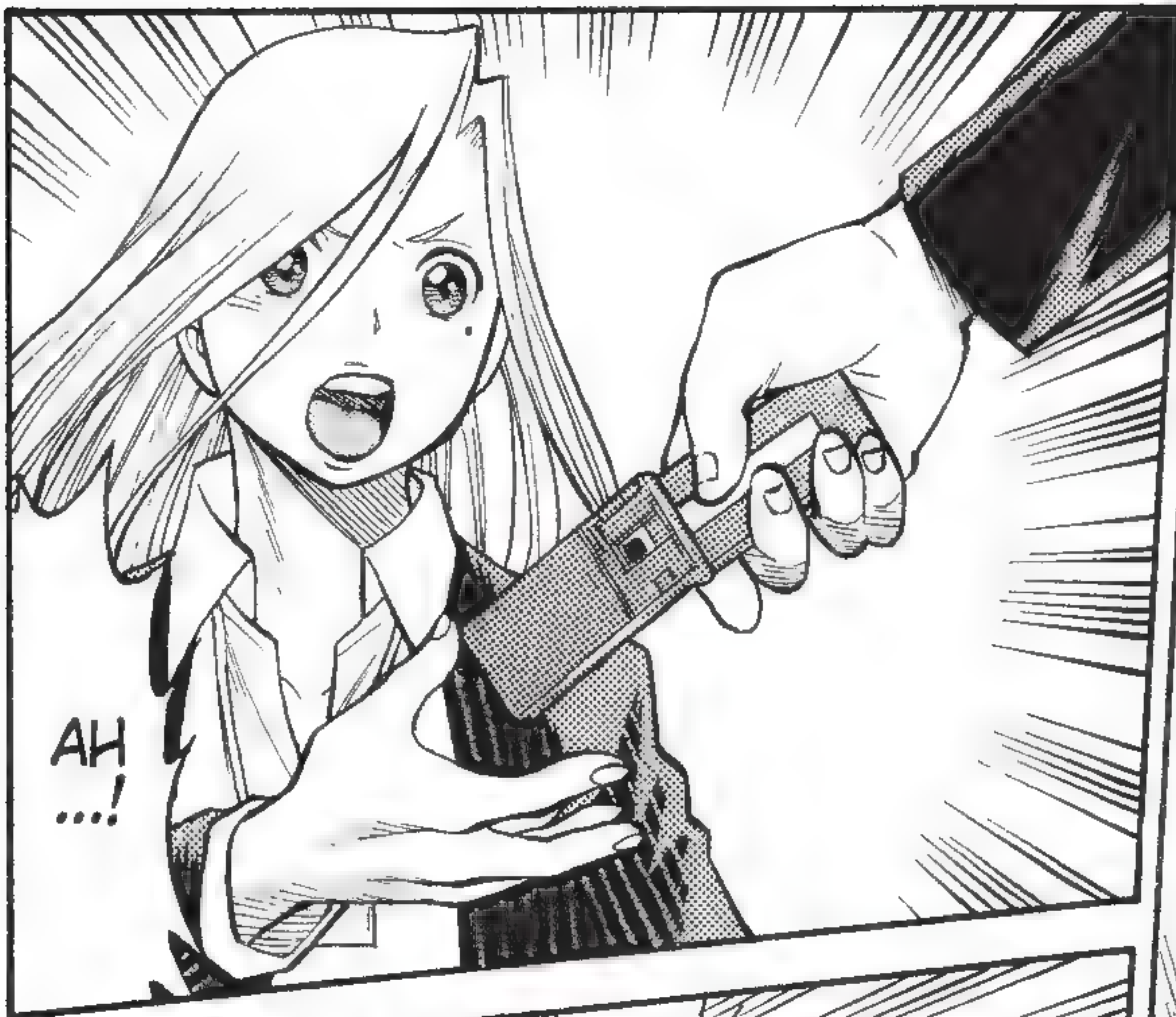
I  
DON'T  
KNOW.

SOMEBODY  
IN THE  
CABINET,  
I HEAR.

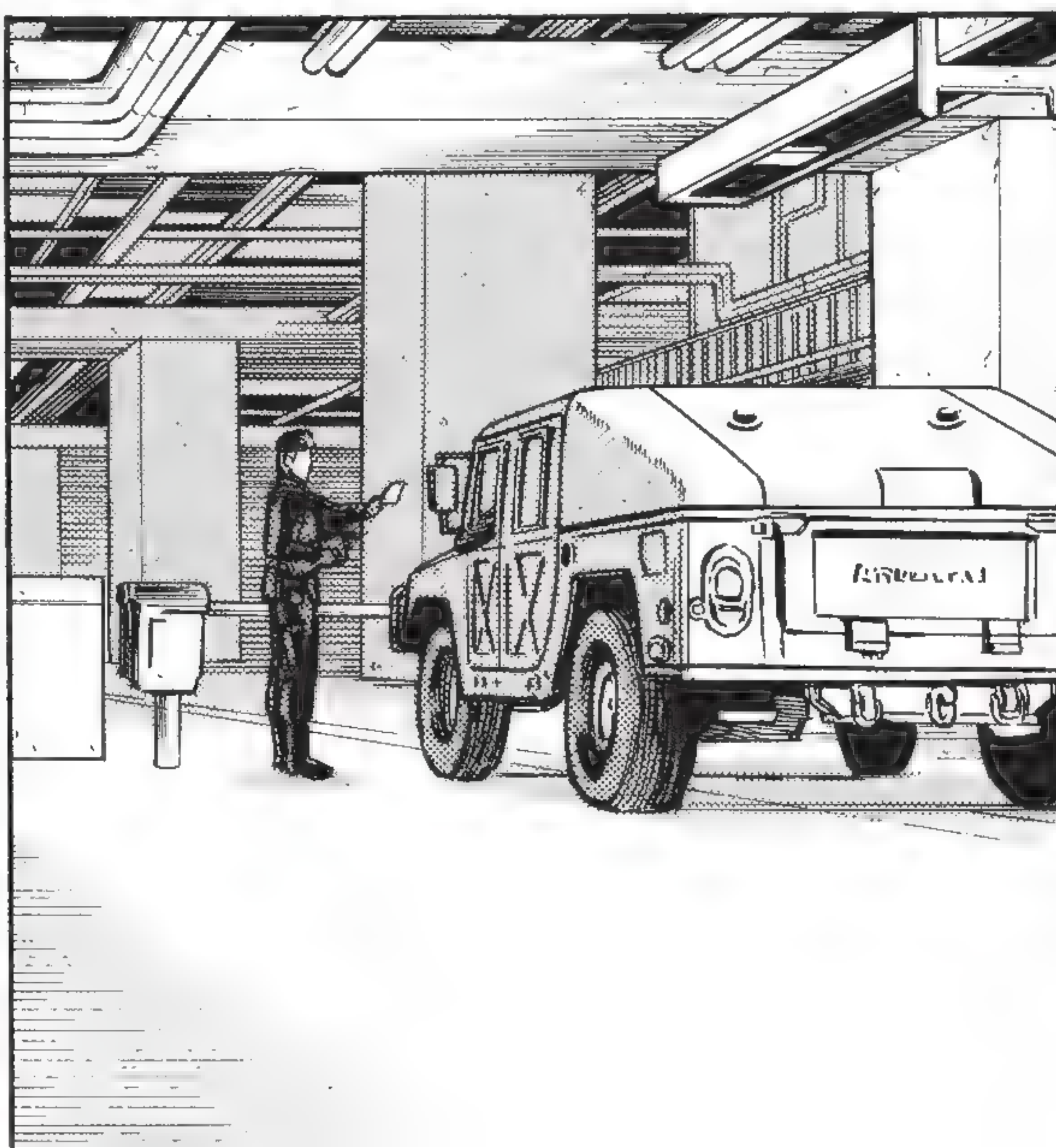
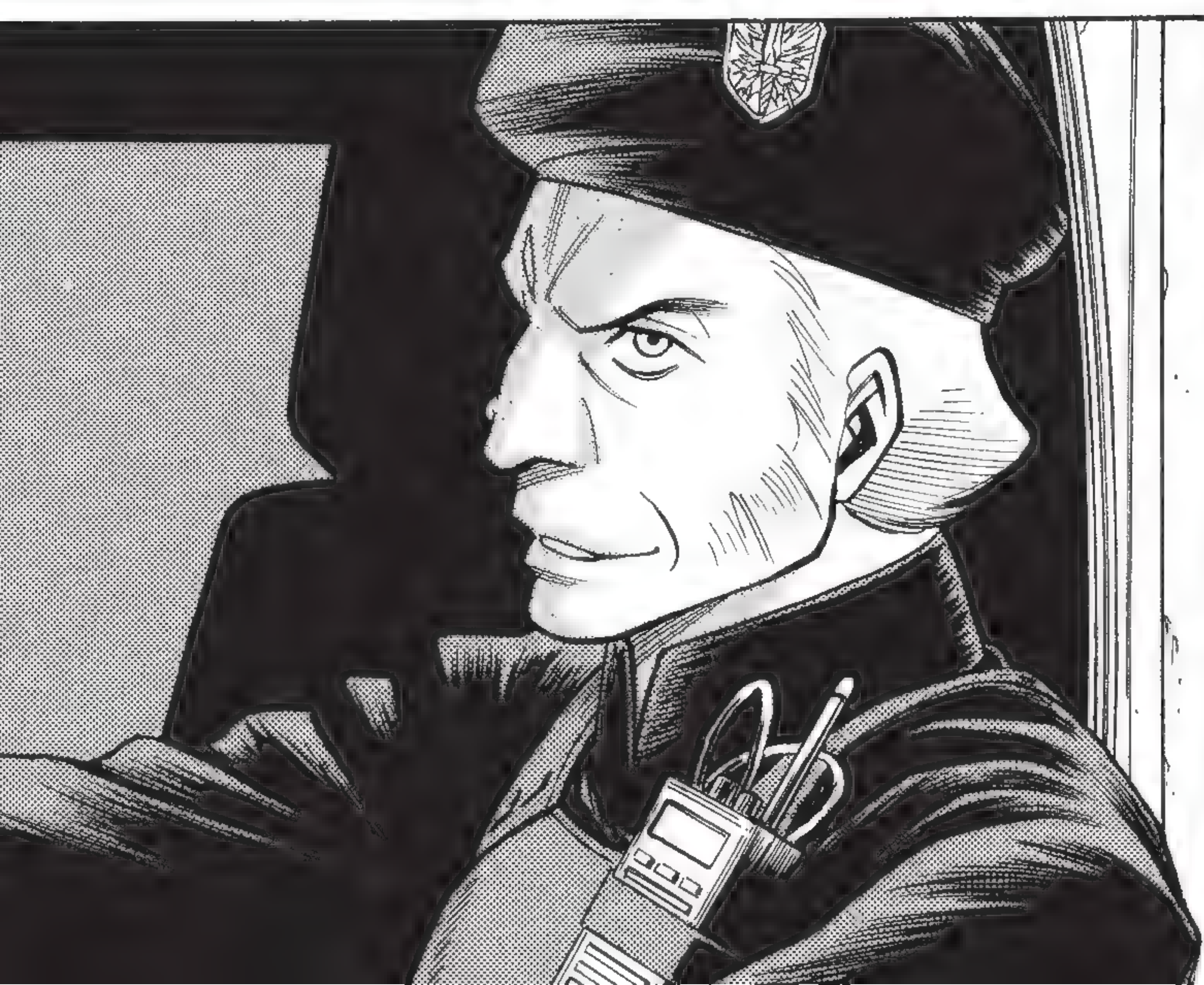
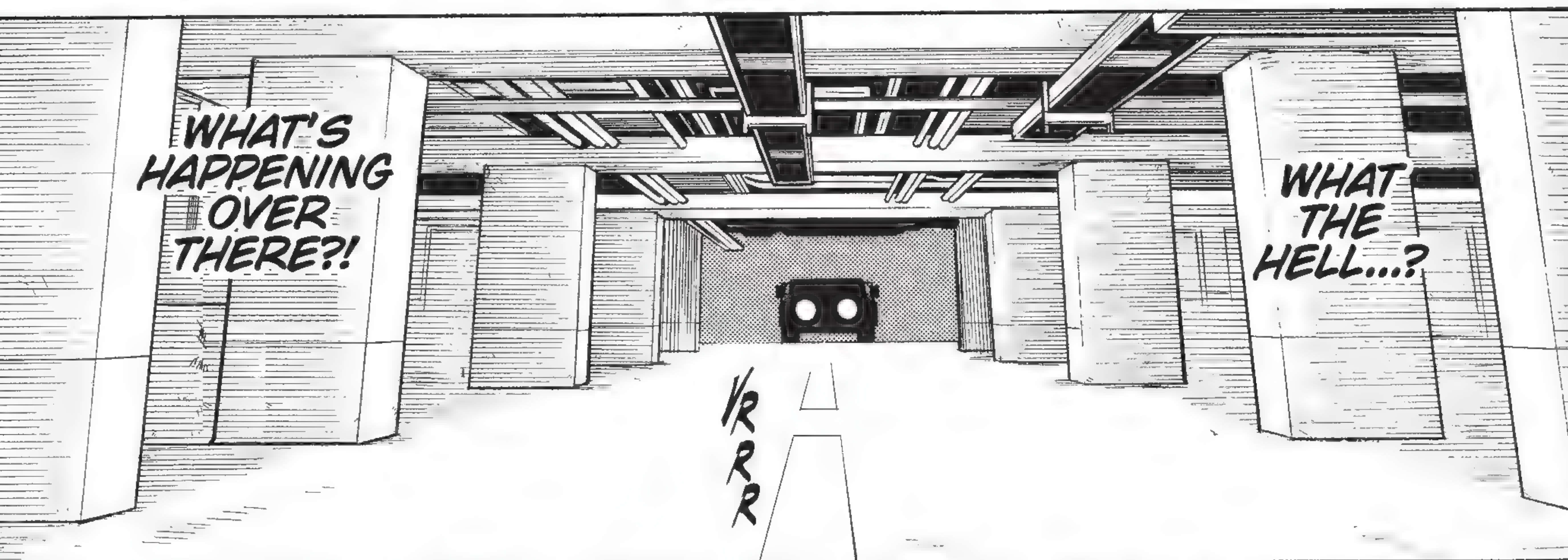
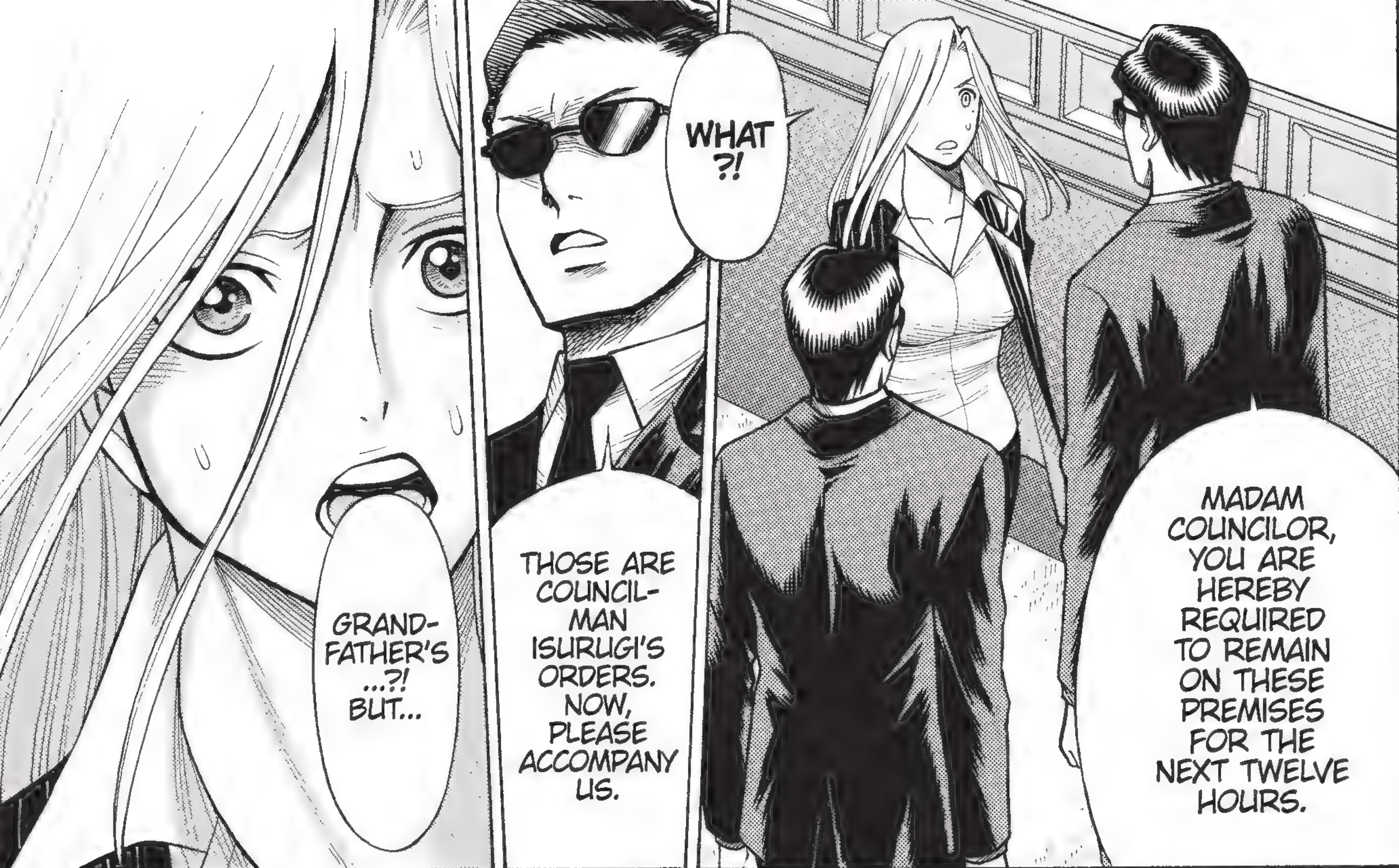




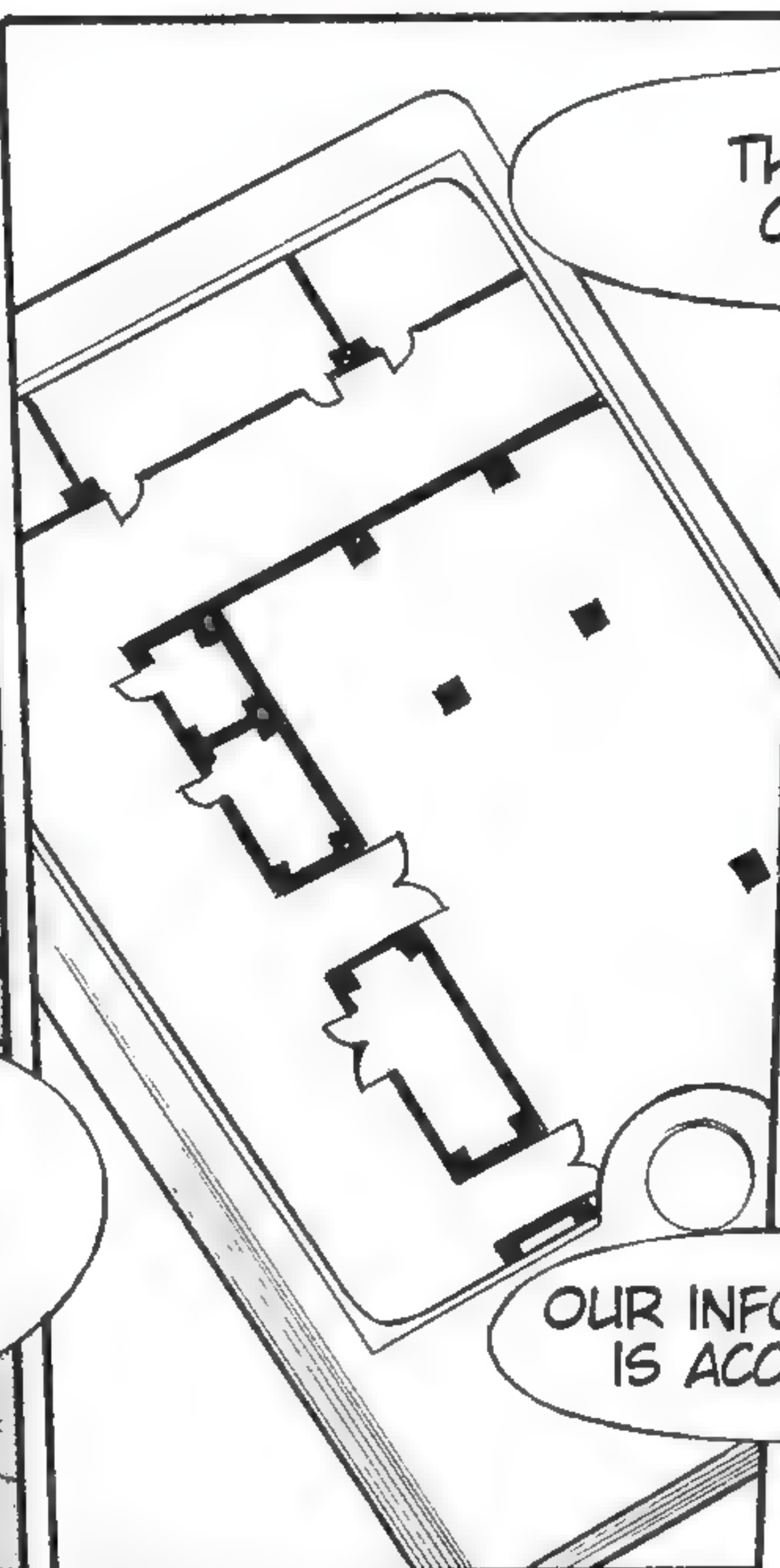










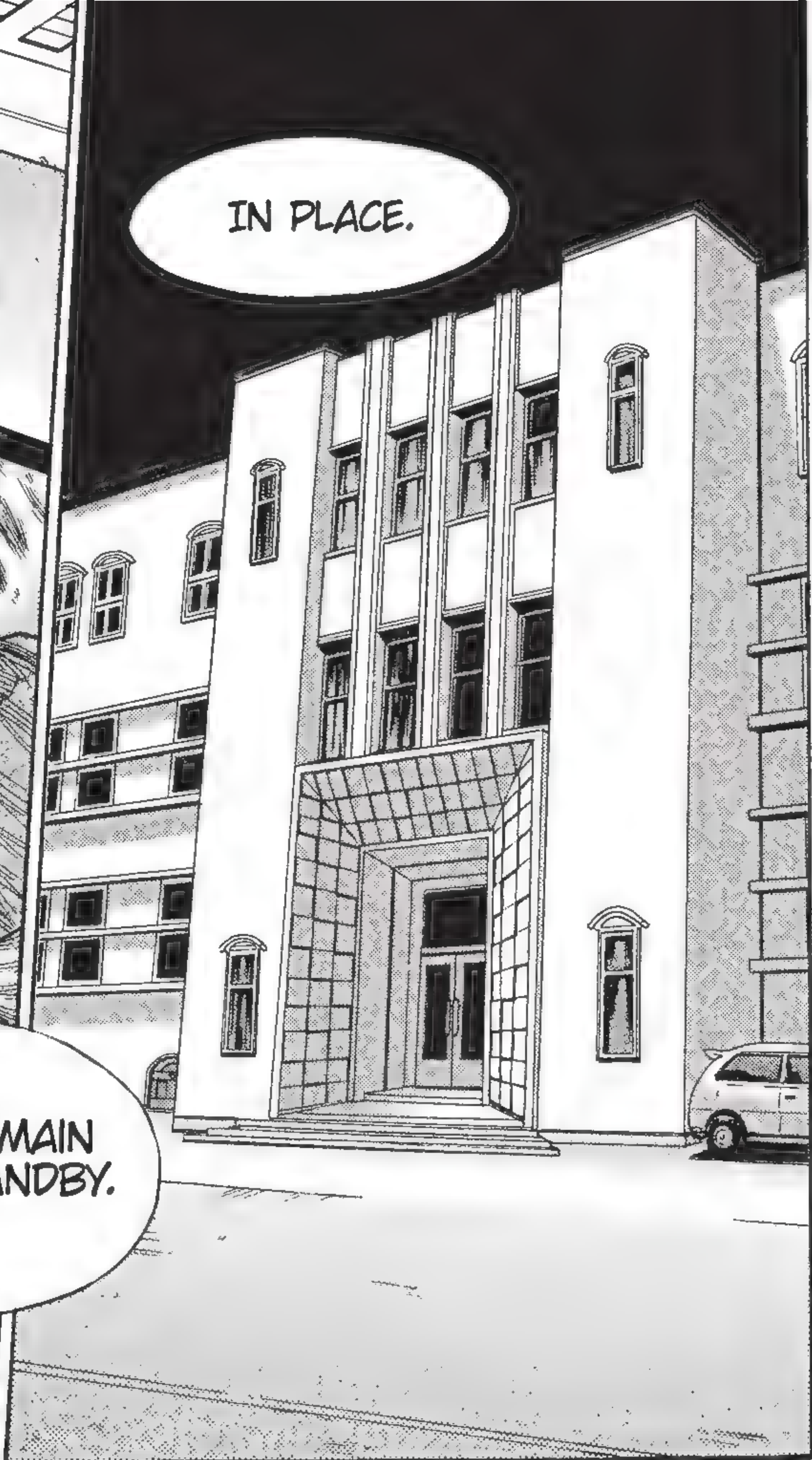






WE WILL REMAIN  
HERE ON STANDBY.

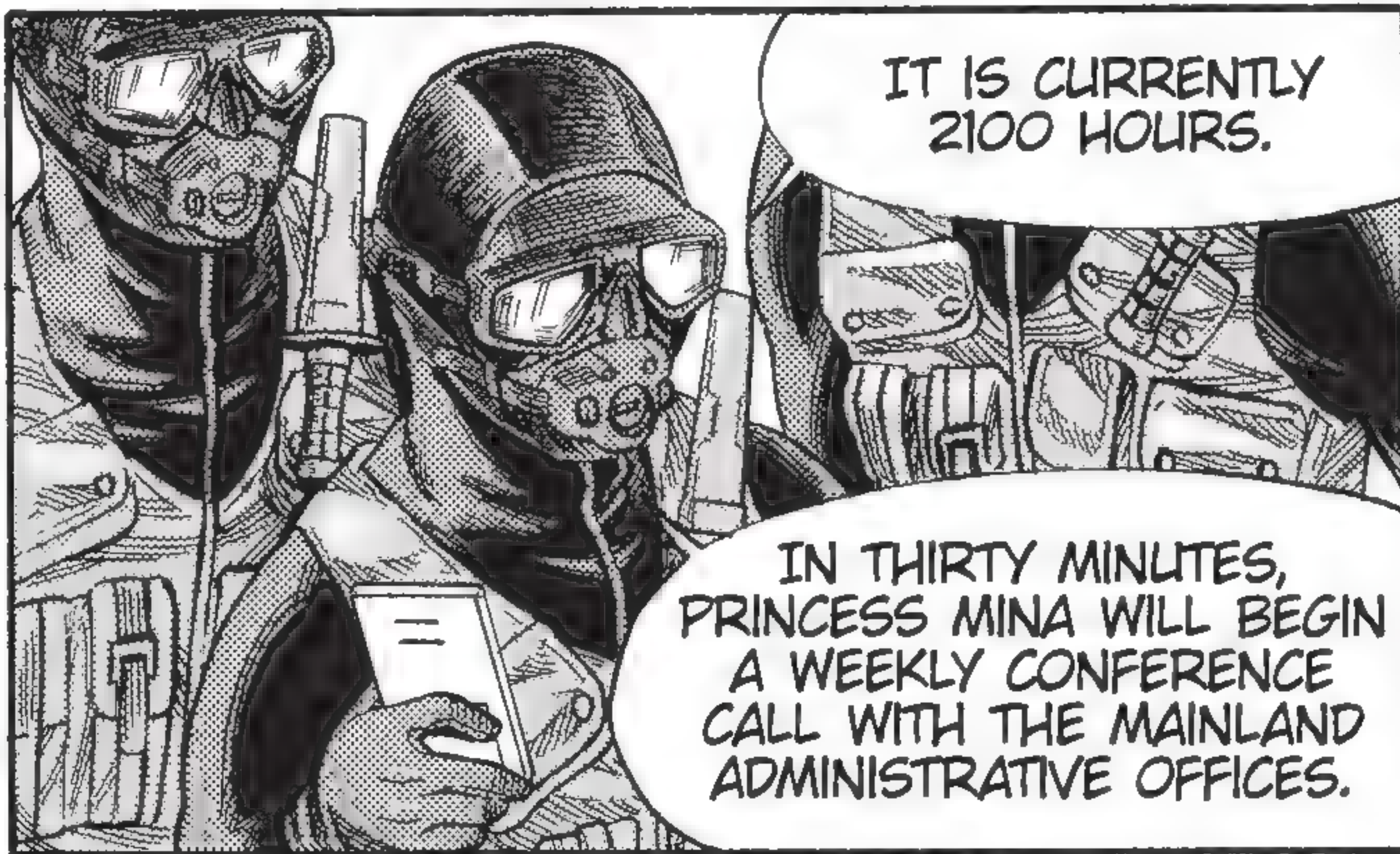
UNDER-  
STOOD.



IN PLACE.



ALL GLORY TO  
IVANOVIC.



IT IS CURRENTLY  
2100 HOURS.

IN THIRTY MINUTES,  
PRINCESS MINA WILL BEGIN  
A WEEKLY CONFERENCE  
CALL WITH THE MAINLAND  
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES.



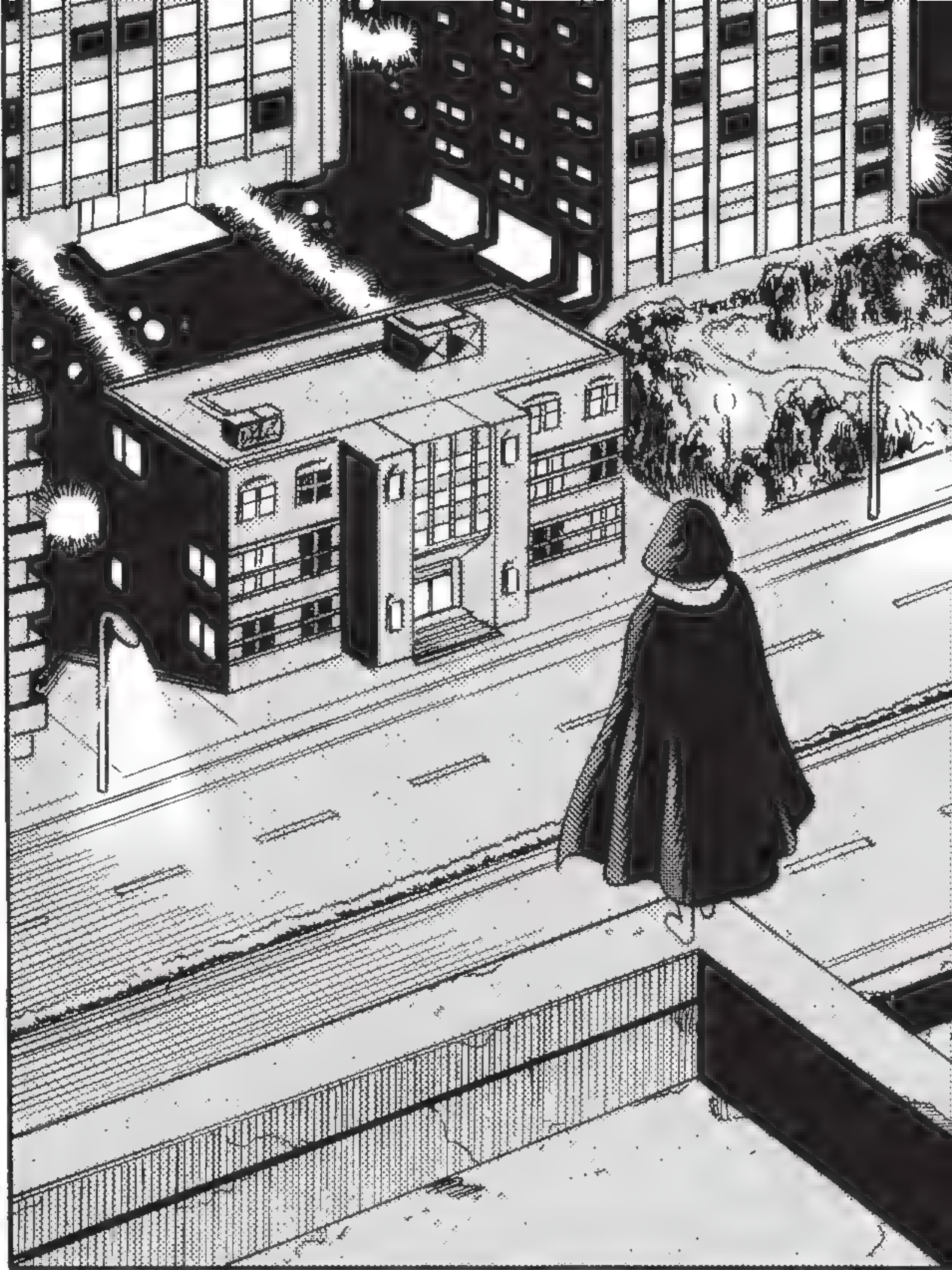
HERE, YOUR  
MISSION DIVERGES  
FROM OURS.

I PRAY FOR  
YOUR SUCCESS.



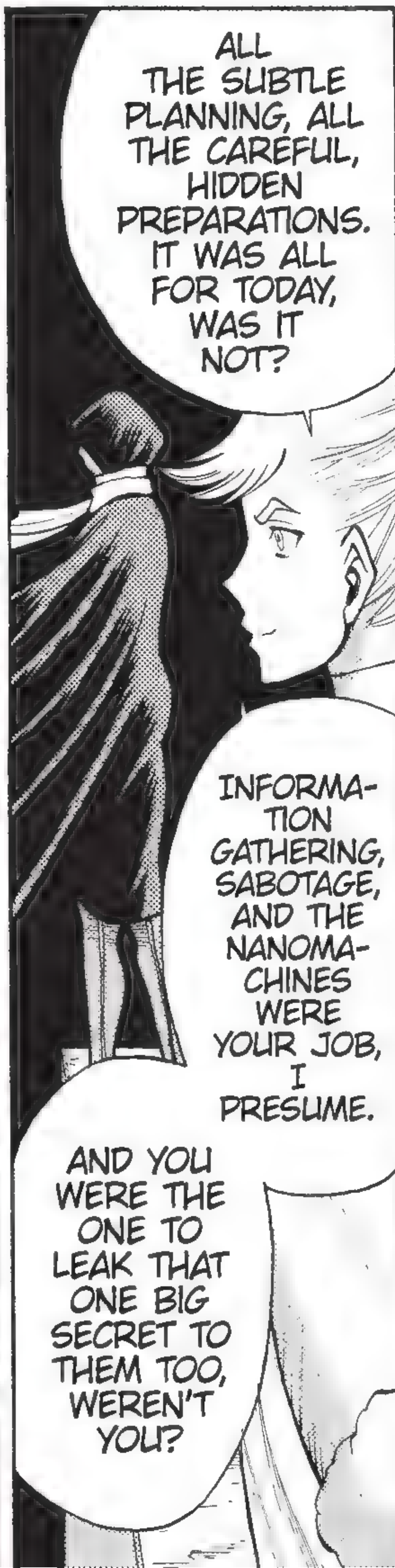


AND  
SO IT  
BEGINS.



MISTER  
SPY.

OR WOULD  
MISTER  
TELOMERE  
AGENT BE  
MORE  
PRECISE...?



ALL  
THE SUBTLE  
PLANNING, ALL  
THE CAREFUL,  
HIDDEN  
PREPARATIONS.  
IT WAS ALL  
FOR TODAY,  
WAS IT  
NOT?

INFORMA-  
TION  
GATHERING,  
SABOTAGE,  
AND THE  
NANOMA-  
CHINES  
WERE  
YOUR JOB,  
I  
PRESUME.

AND YOU  
WERE THE  
ONE TO  
LEAK THAT  
ONE BIG  
SECRET TO  
THEM TOO,  
WEREN'T  
YOU?



THIS  
IS THE  
BEGINNING  
OF THE  
END,  
YES...?





PER-  
HAPS  
WE  
SHOULD  
ADD  
SOME  
PINEAP-  
PLE  
TOO.

SHRIMP  
AND AVOCADO.  
AND MAYBE  
A WASABI-  
FLAVORED DIP  
ON THE  
SIDE.

HOW  
ABOUT  
THIS?

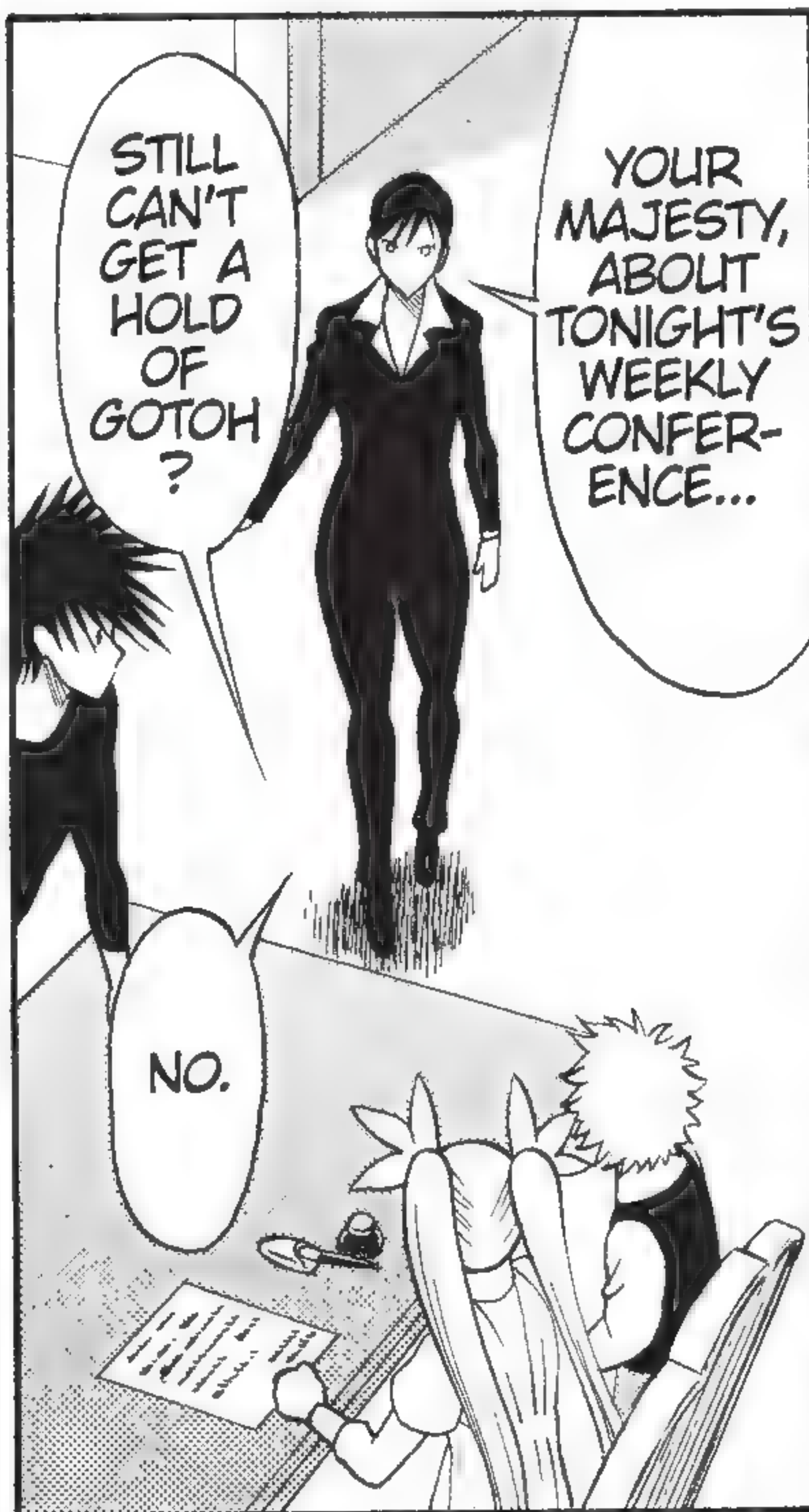
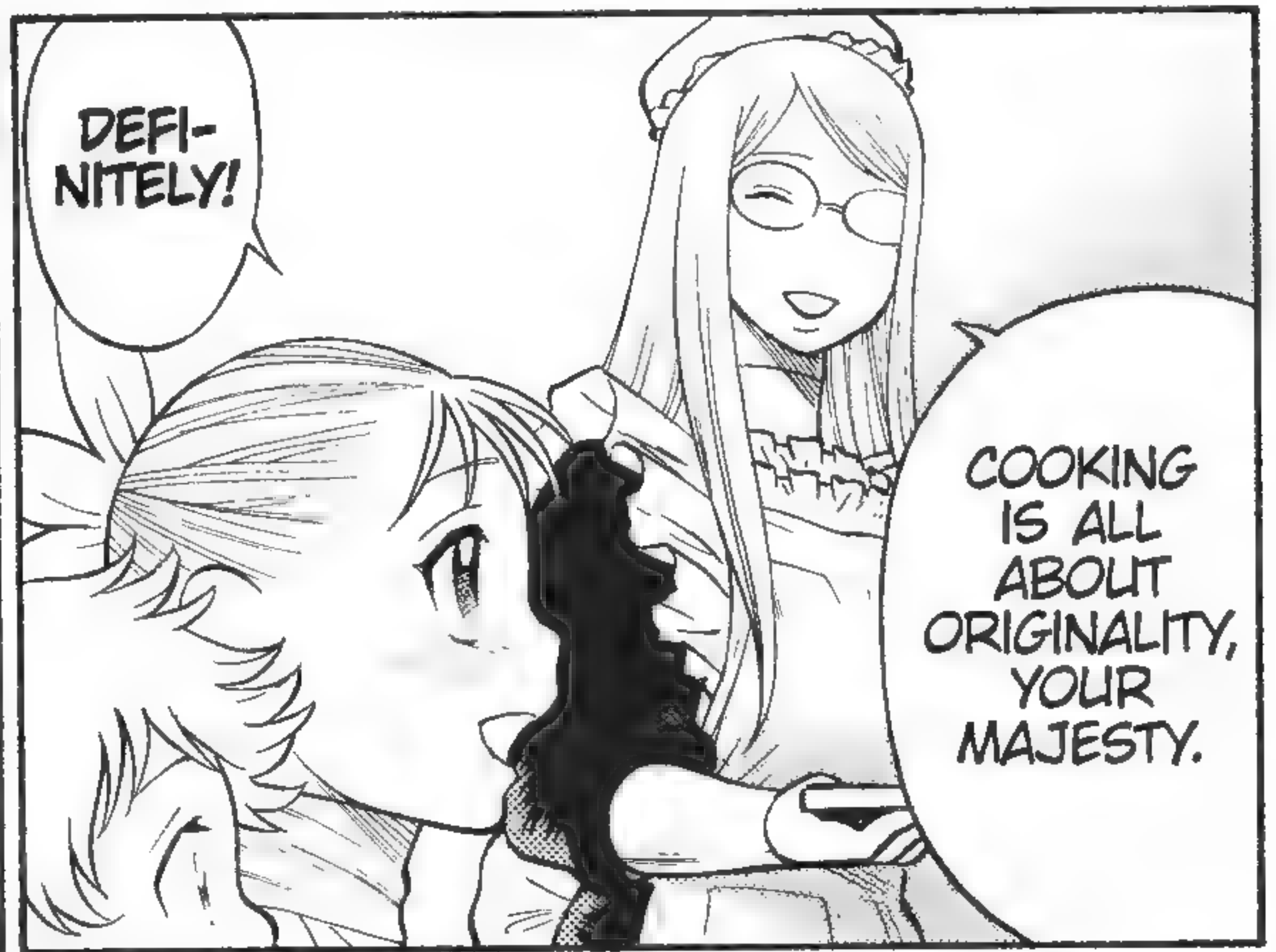
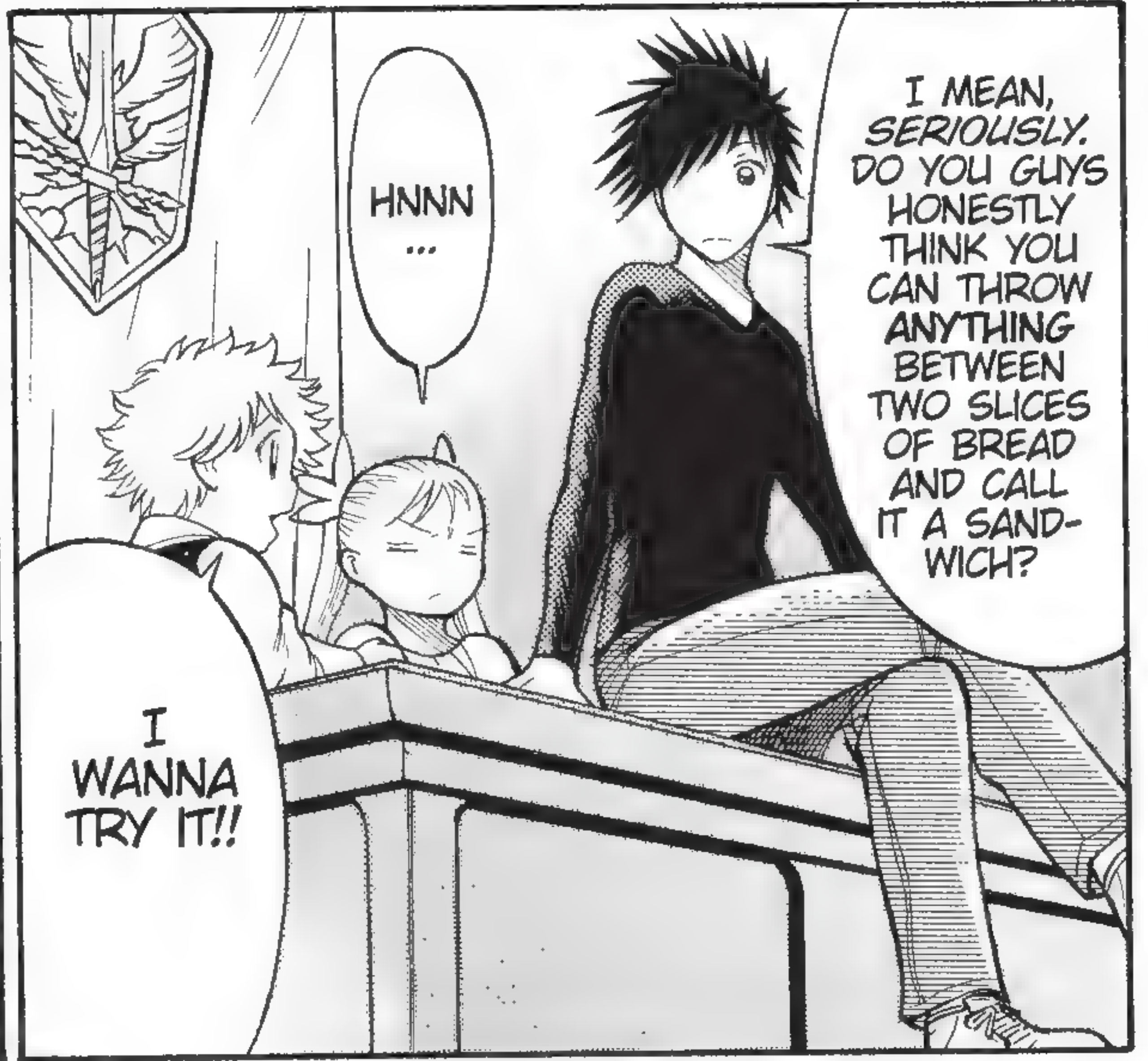


FEED THAT  
TO YUKI,  
AND YOU'LL  
JUST MAKE  
HER  
**WORSE!**

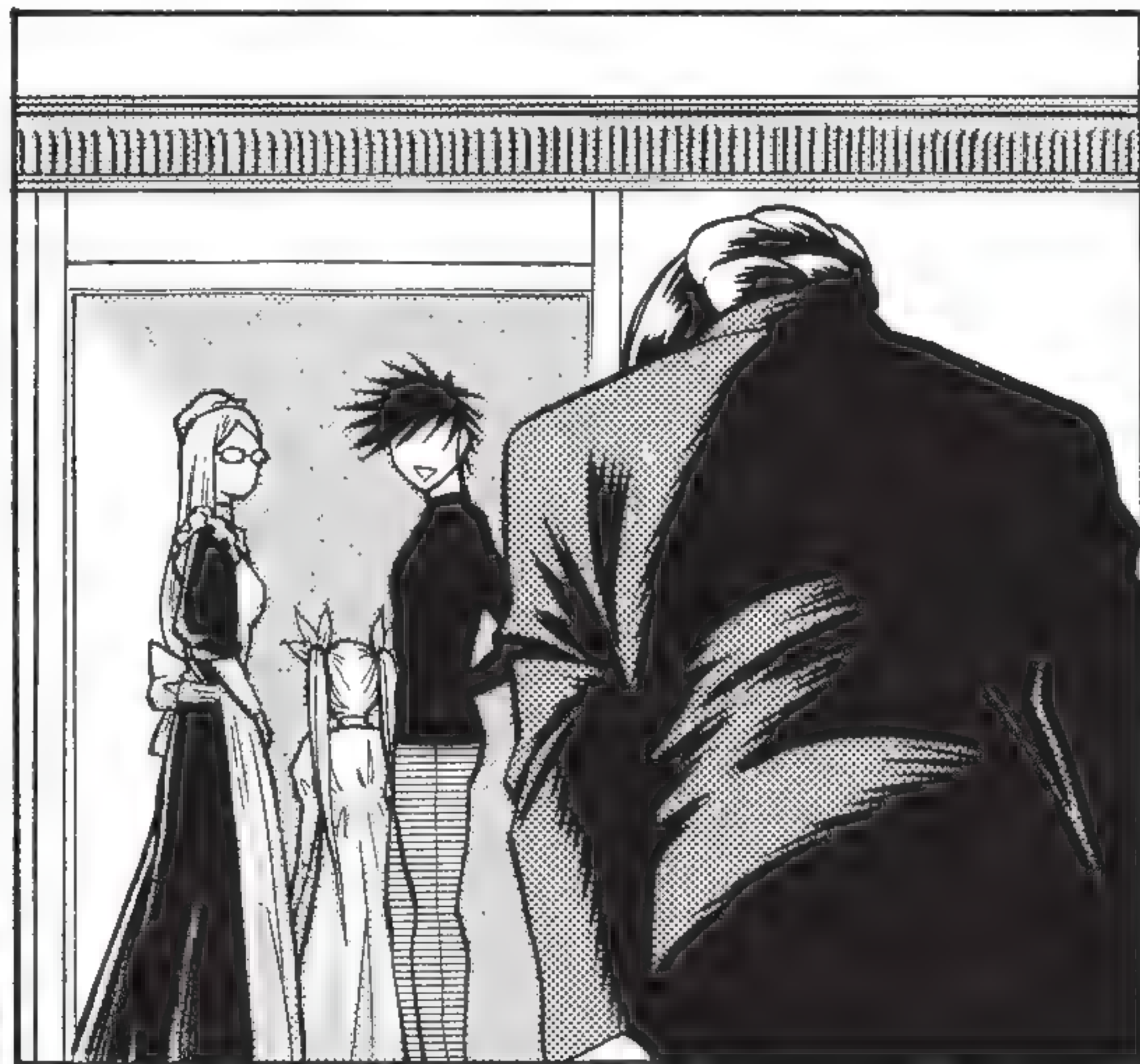
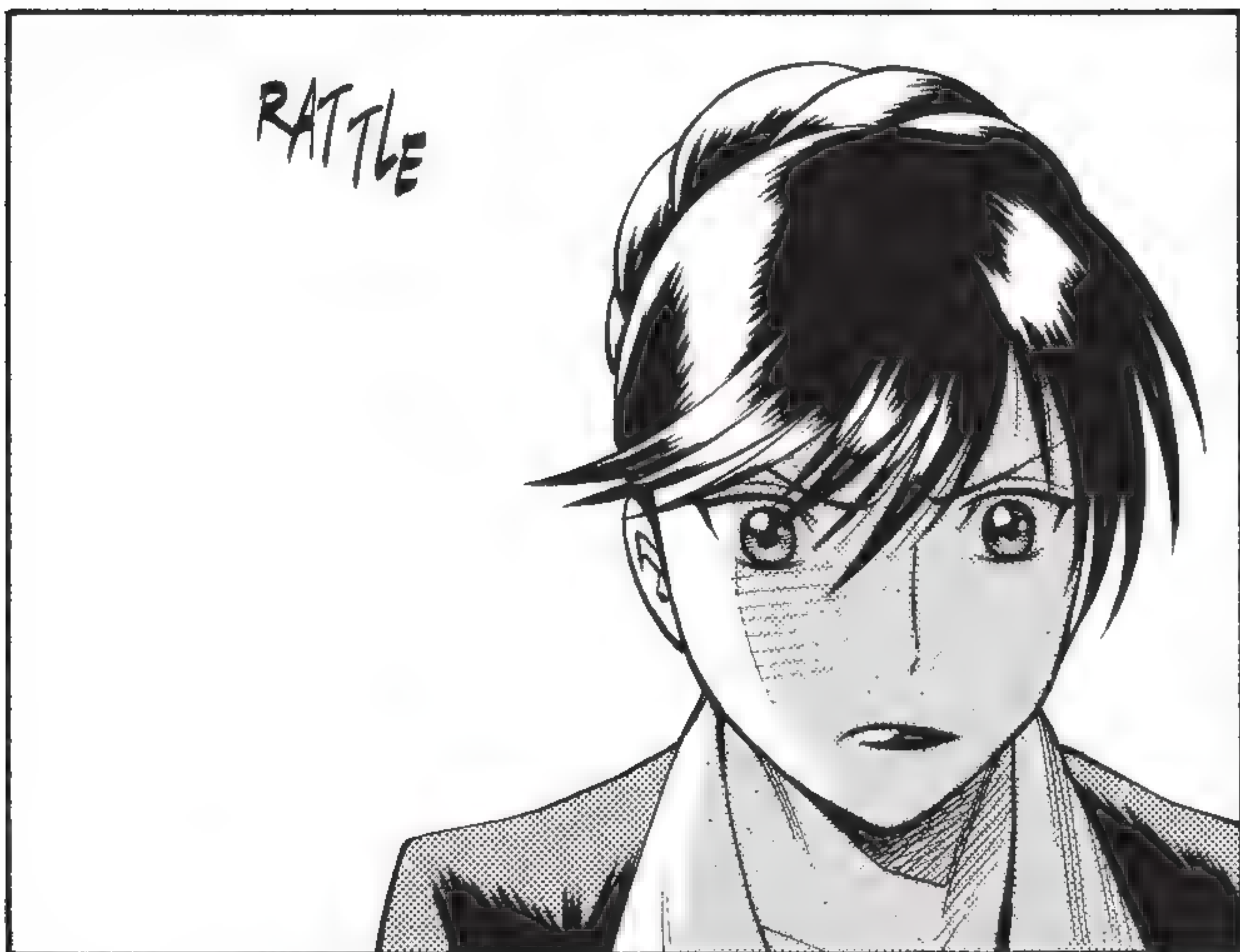
WASABI  
AND PINEAP-  
PLE...?  
**NO!**  
**LGH!**

WOULD  
THAT  
NOT BE  
DELI-  
CIOUS?









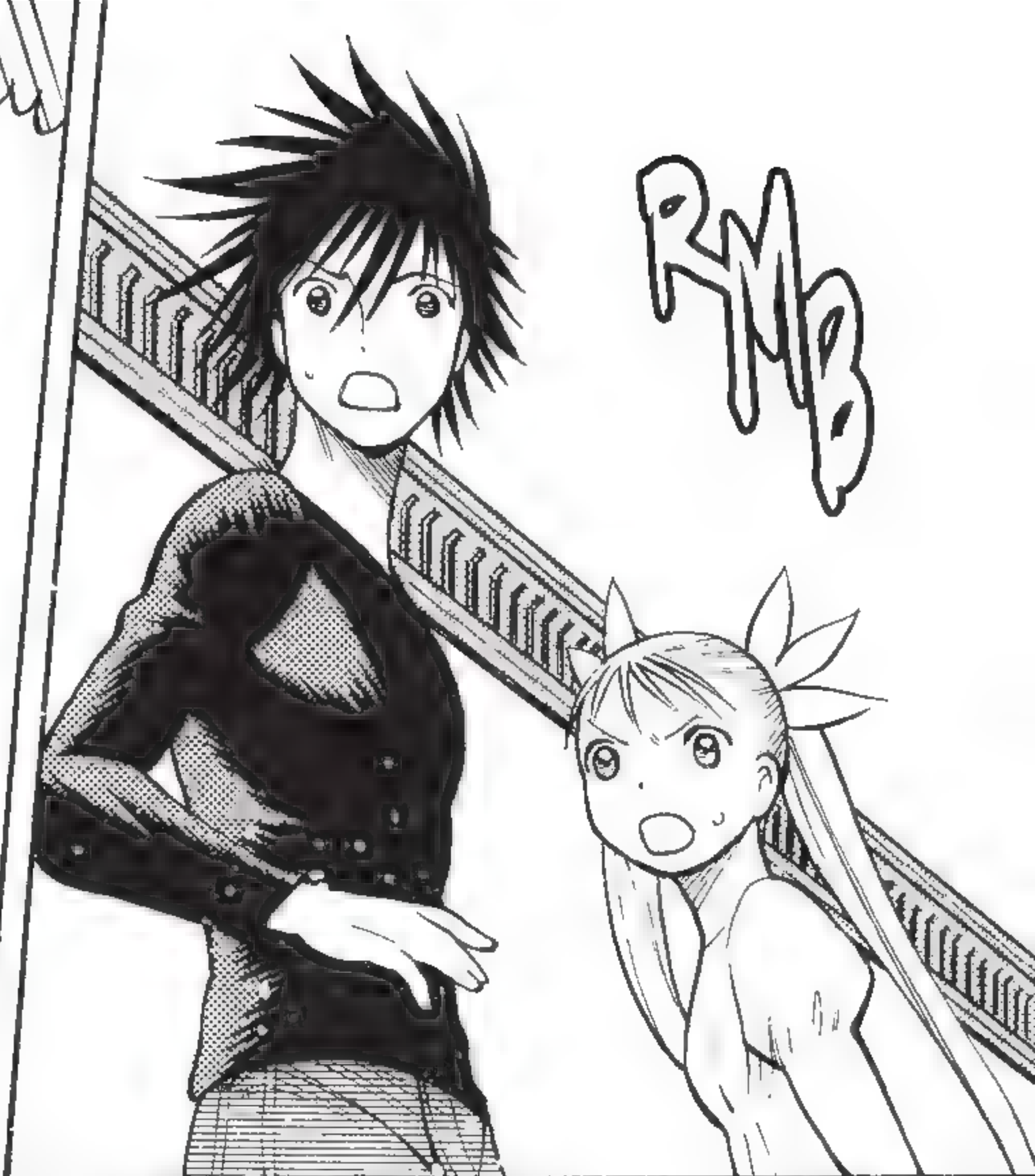




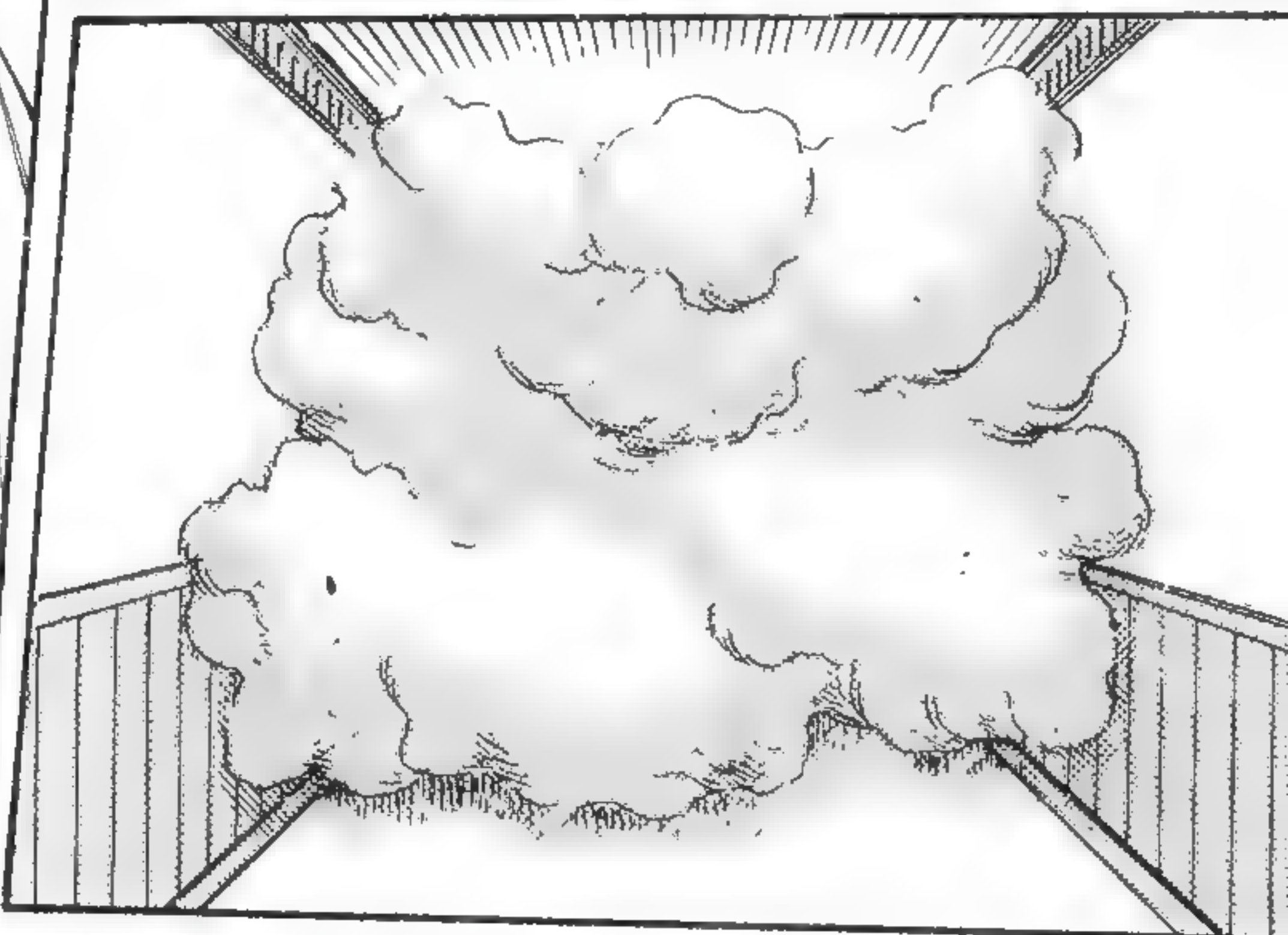
HIME-SAN, NO!



VERA!



RM B



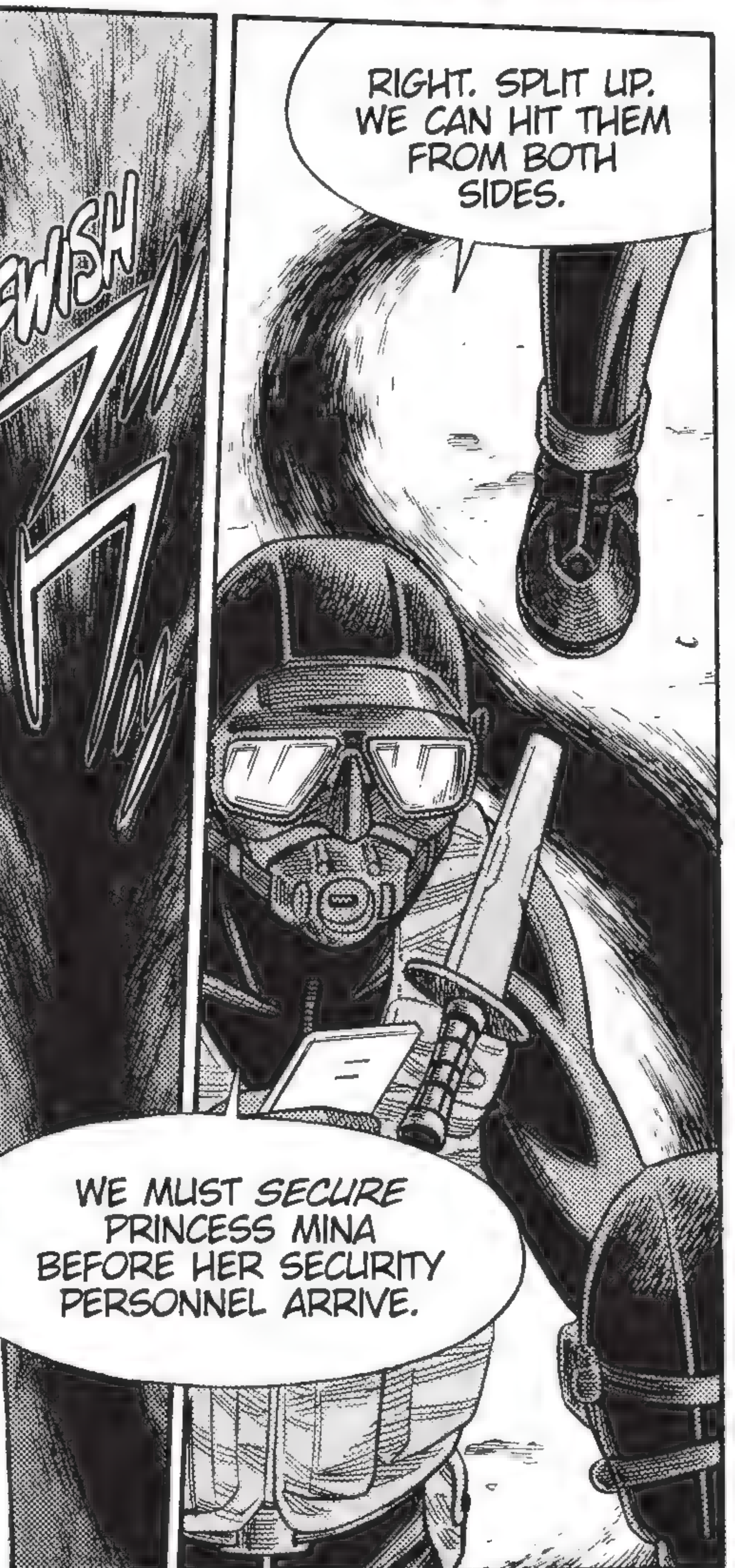
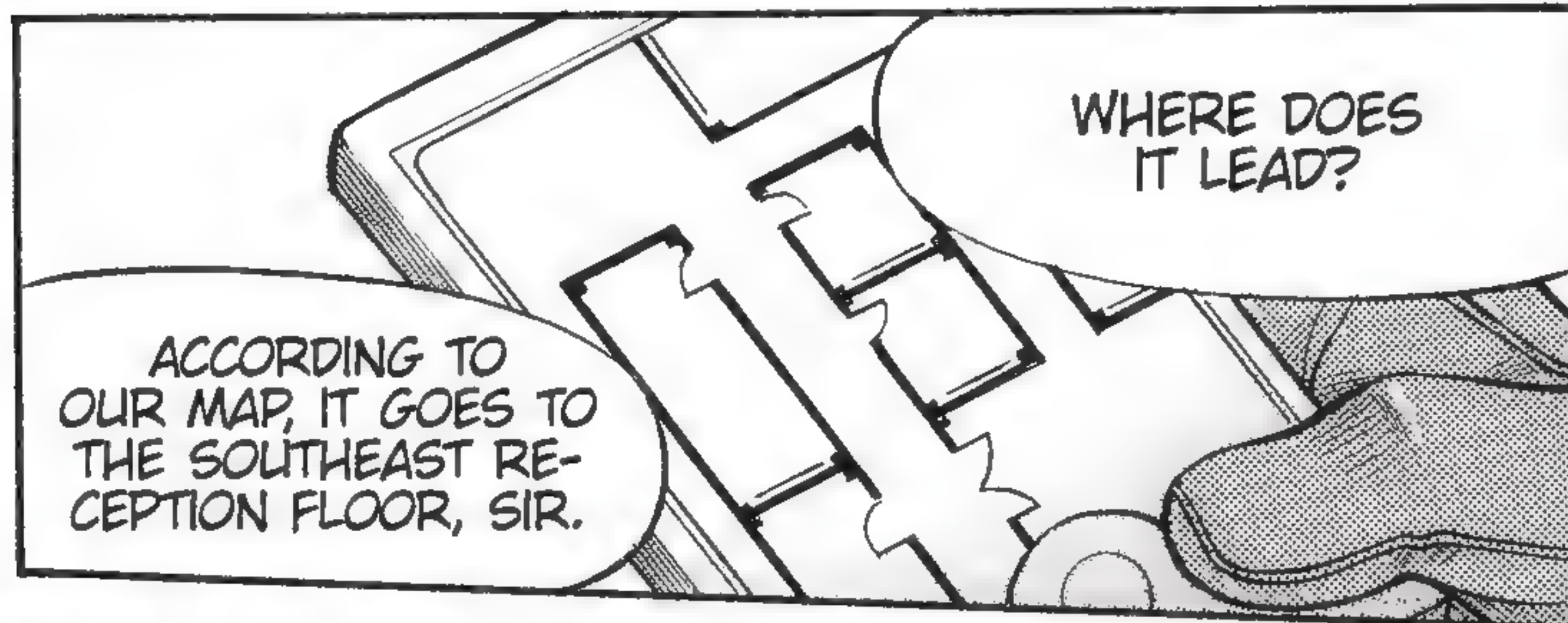
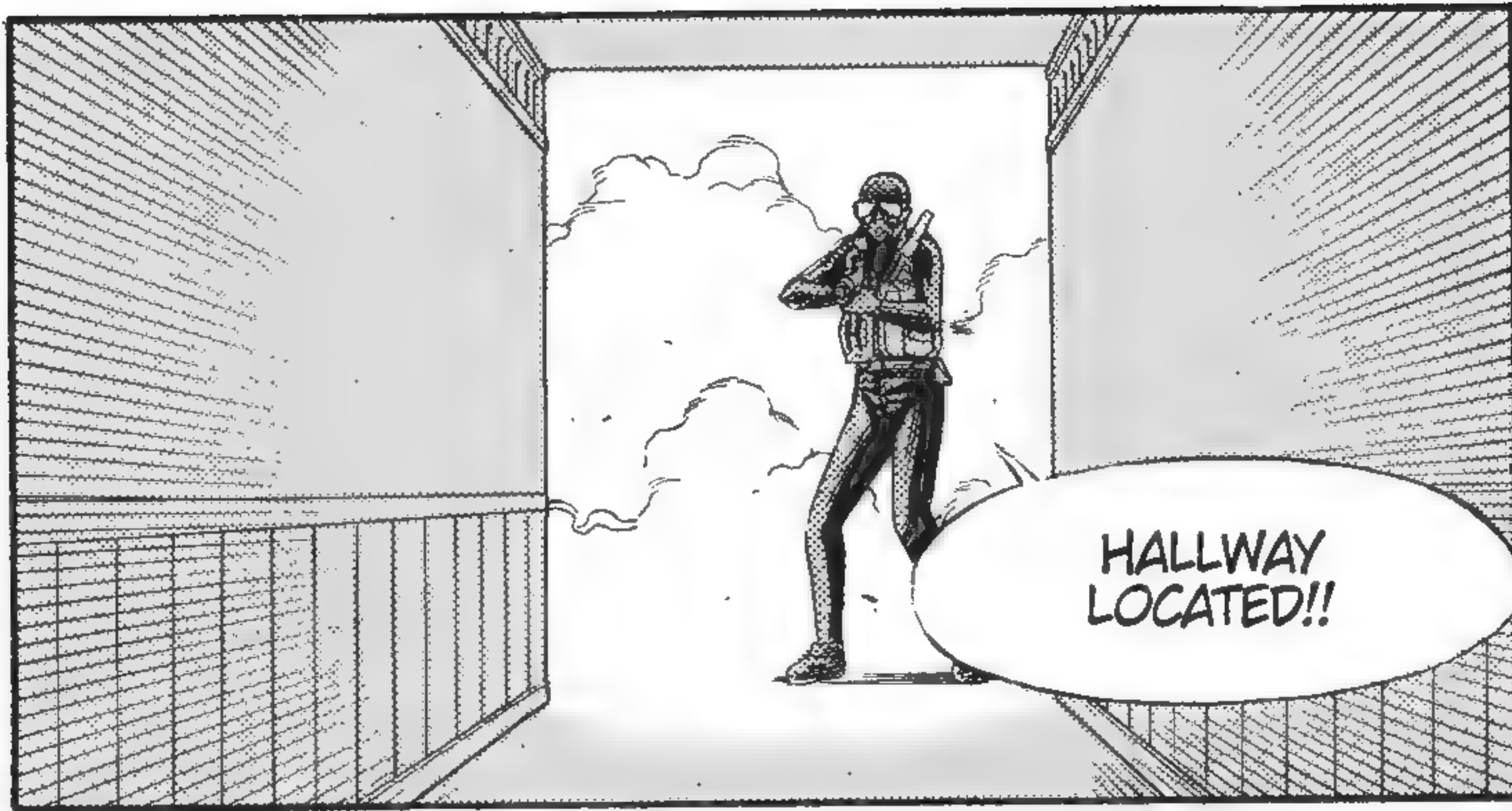
RM BL



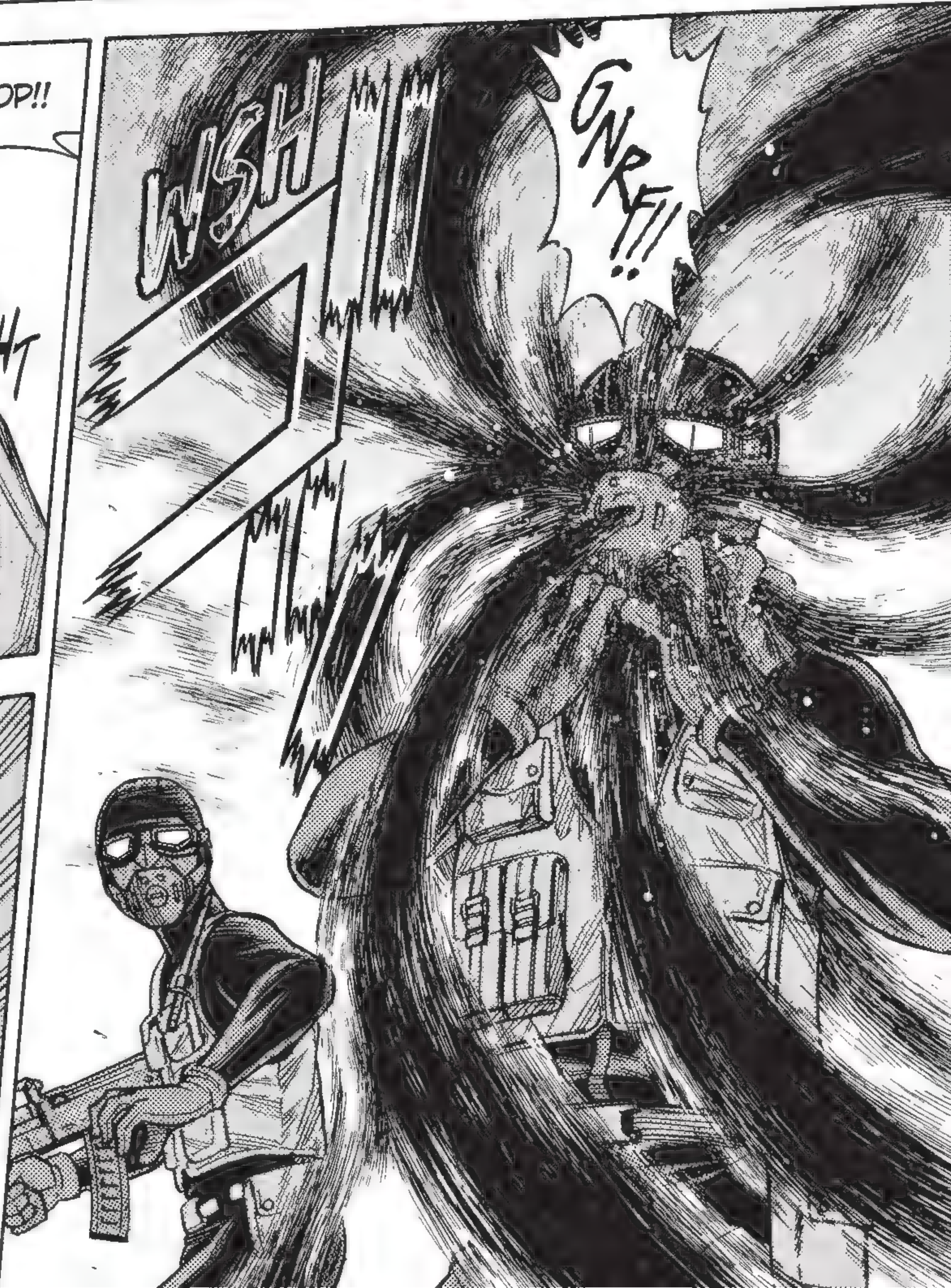
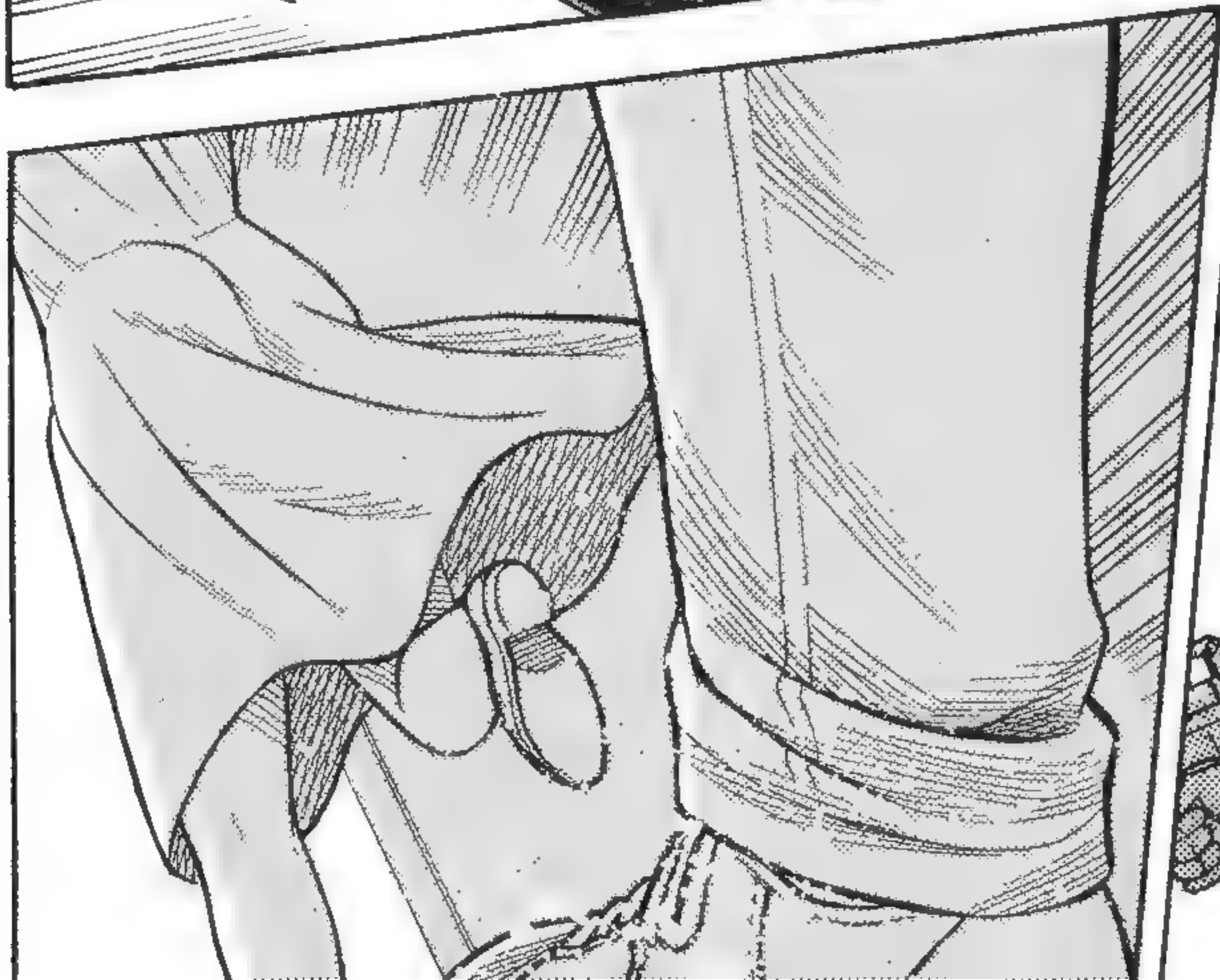
EVERY-ONE, FOLLOW ME!  
AKIRA, TAKE THE REAR!

GOT IT!

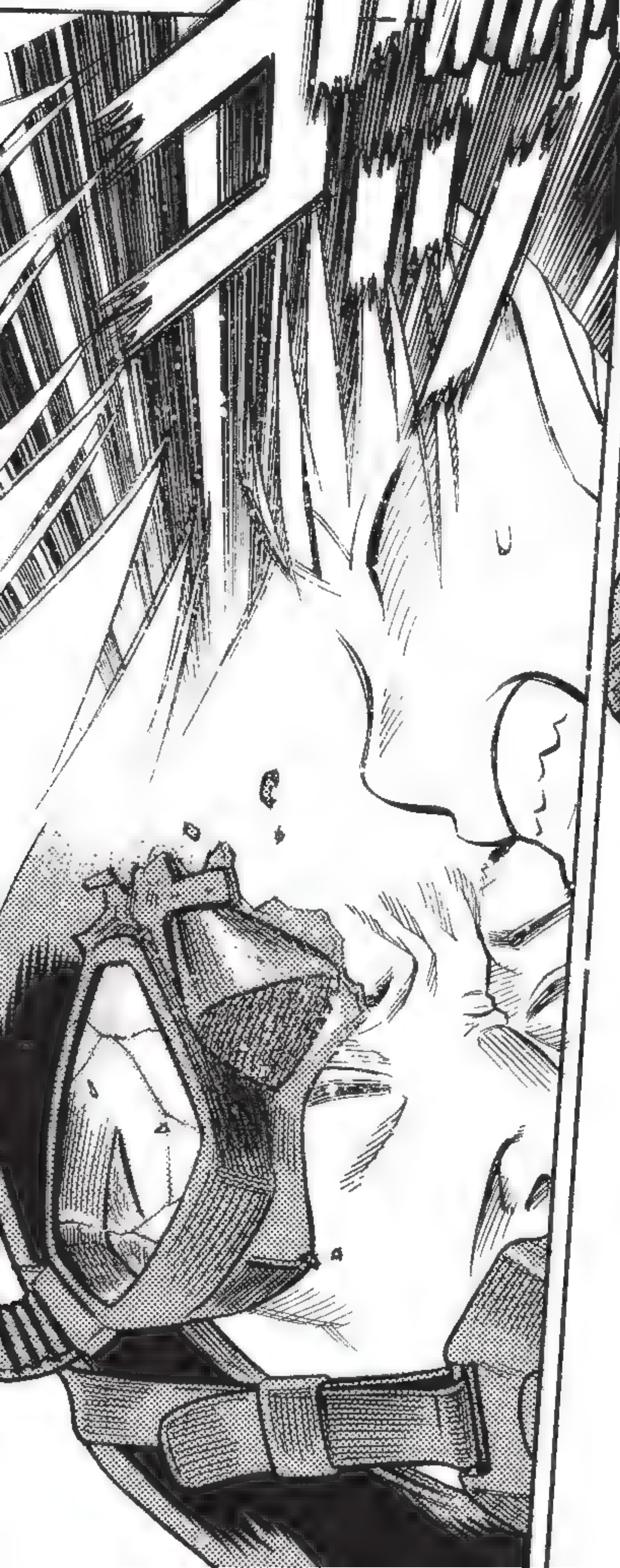




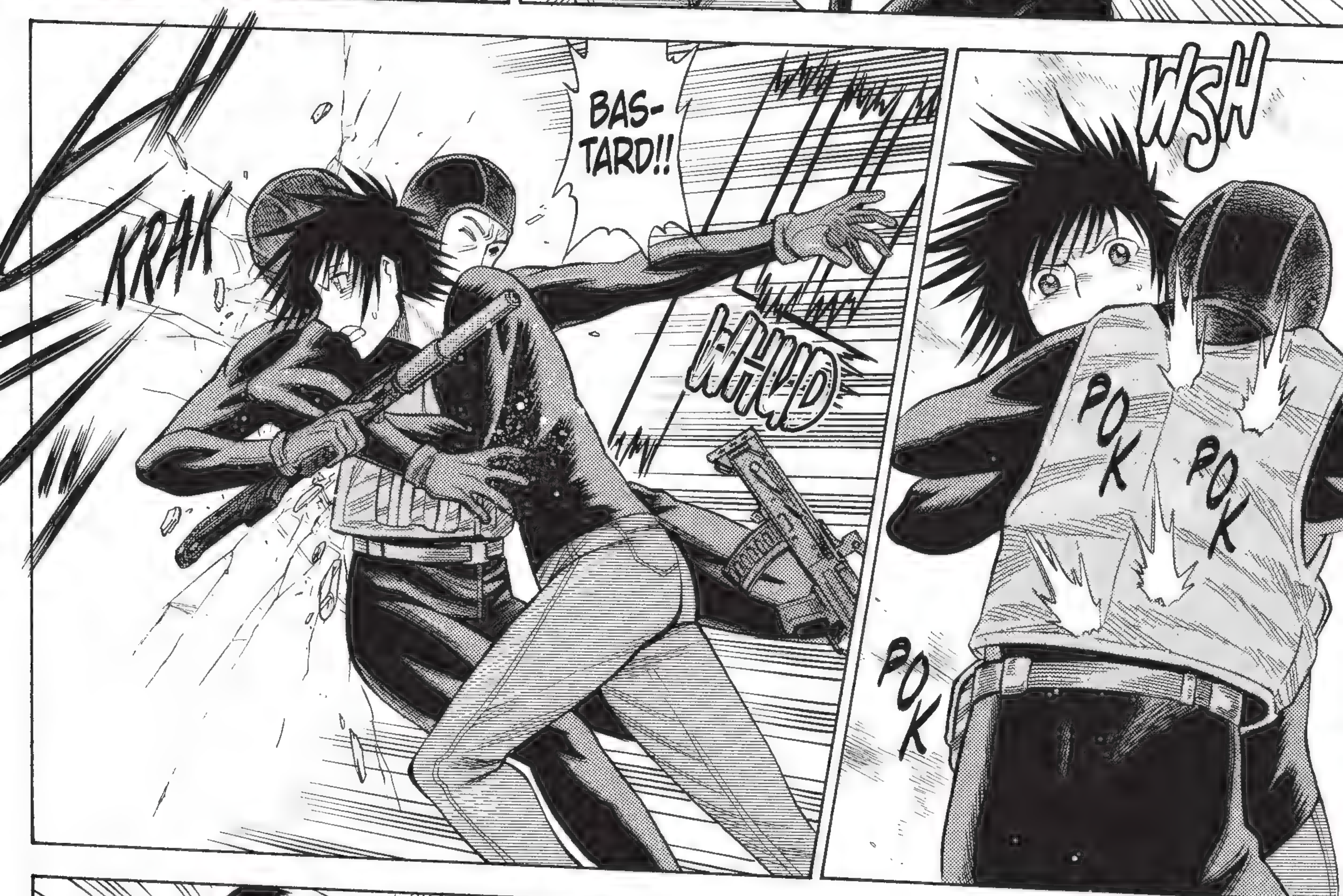








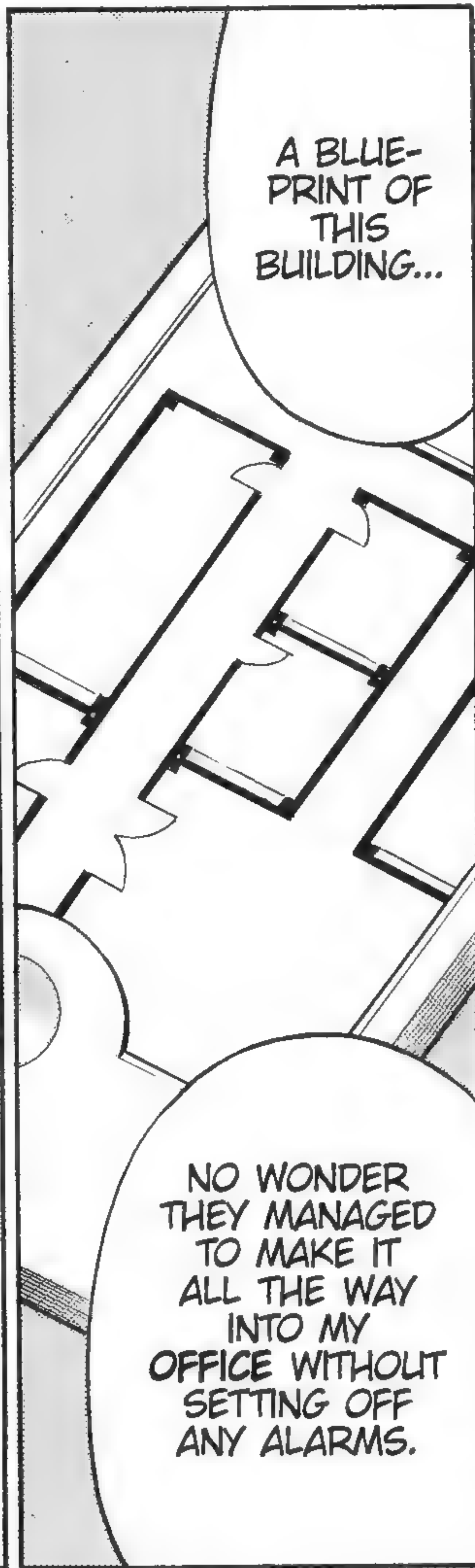
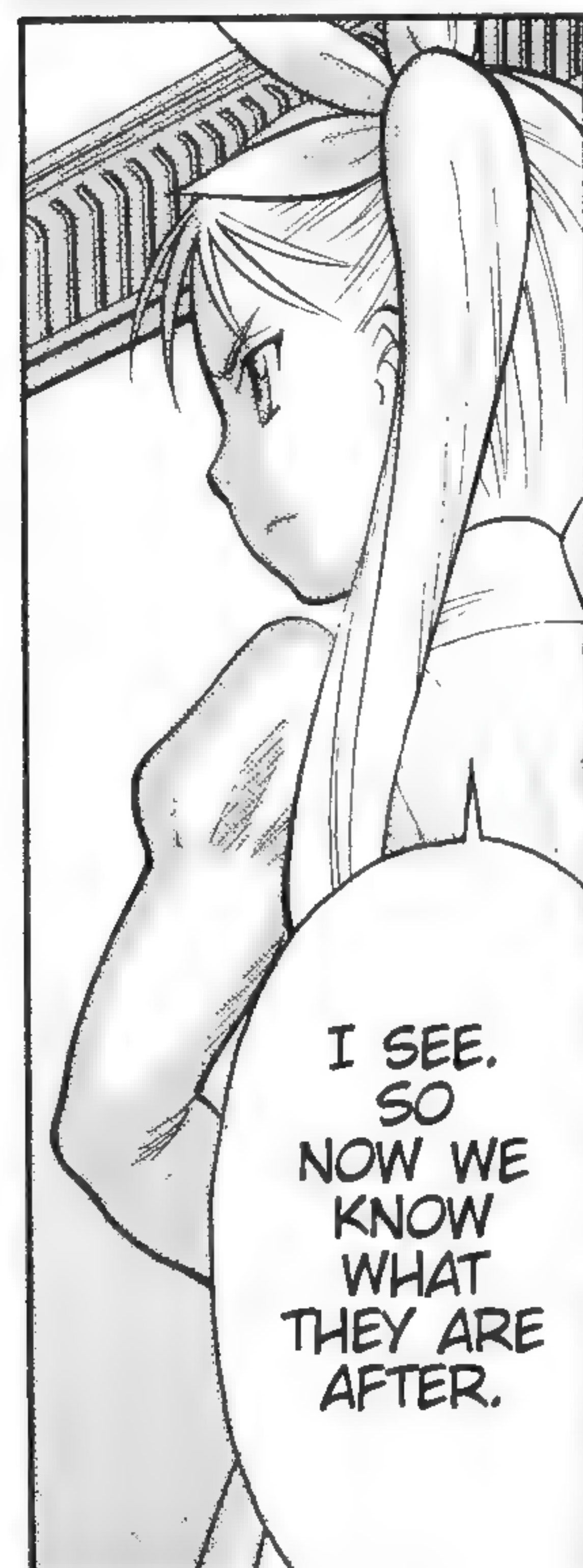
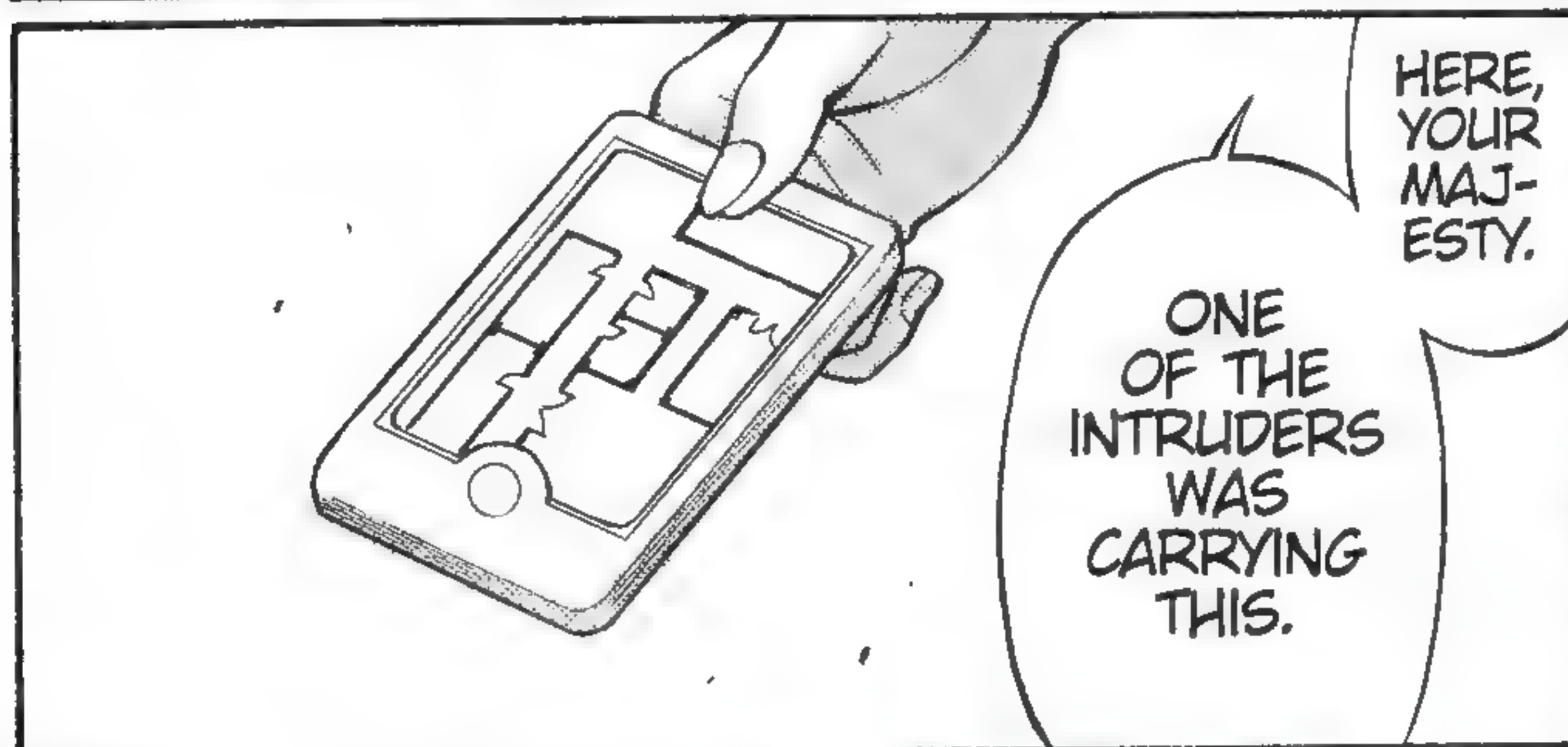
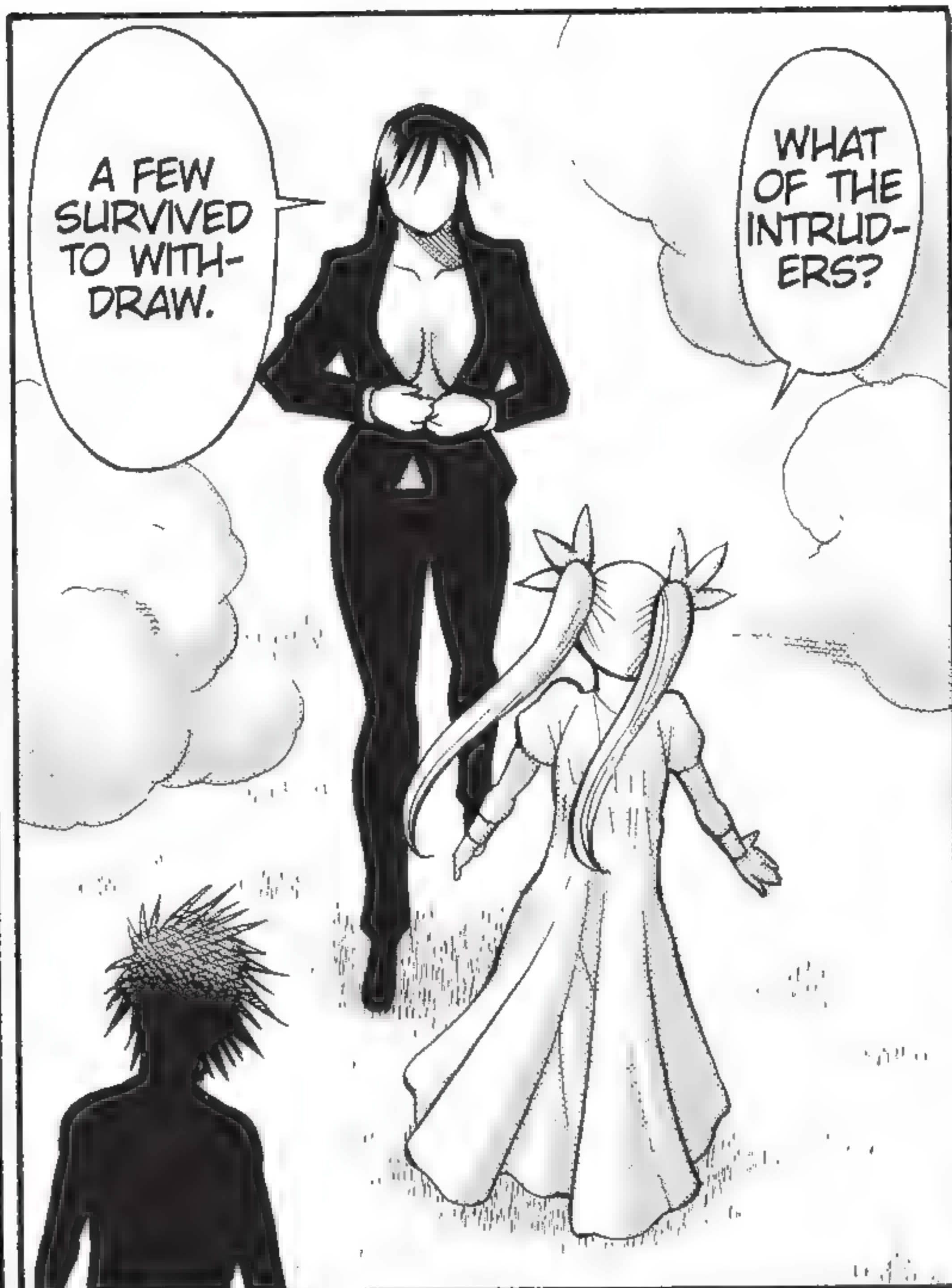
















ANGIE  
SAW ME  
WHEN HE  
ATTEMPTED  
TO KILL  
YUKI.

HE  
SAW MY  
TRUE  
FORM.



SO  
HE DID  
SUR-  
VIVE....!

AND HE  
SOLD THAT  
INFORMATION  
TO...



!!



ME.  
THEY  
ARE  
AIMING  
TO  
KIDNAP  
ME.

THE THREE  
LORDS HAVE  
DISCOVERED  
MY SECRET.





I  
TRIED  
TO  
KEEP IT  
FROM  
THEM...

.....



YOUR  
MAJ-  
ESTY.



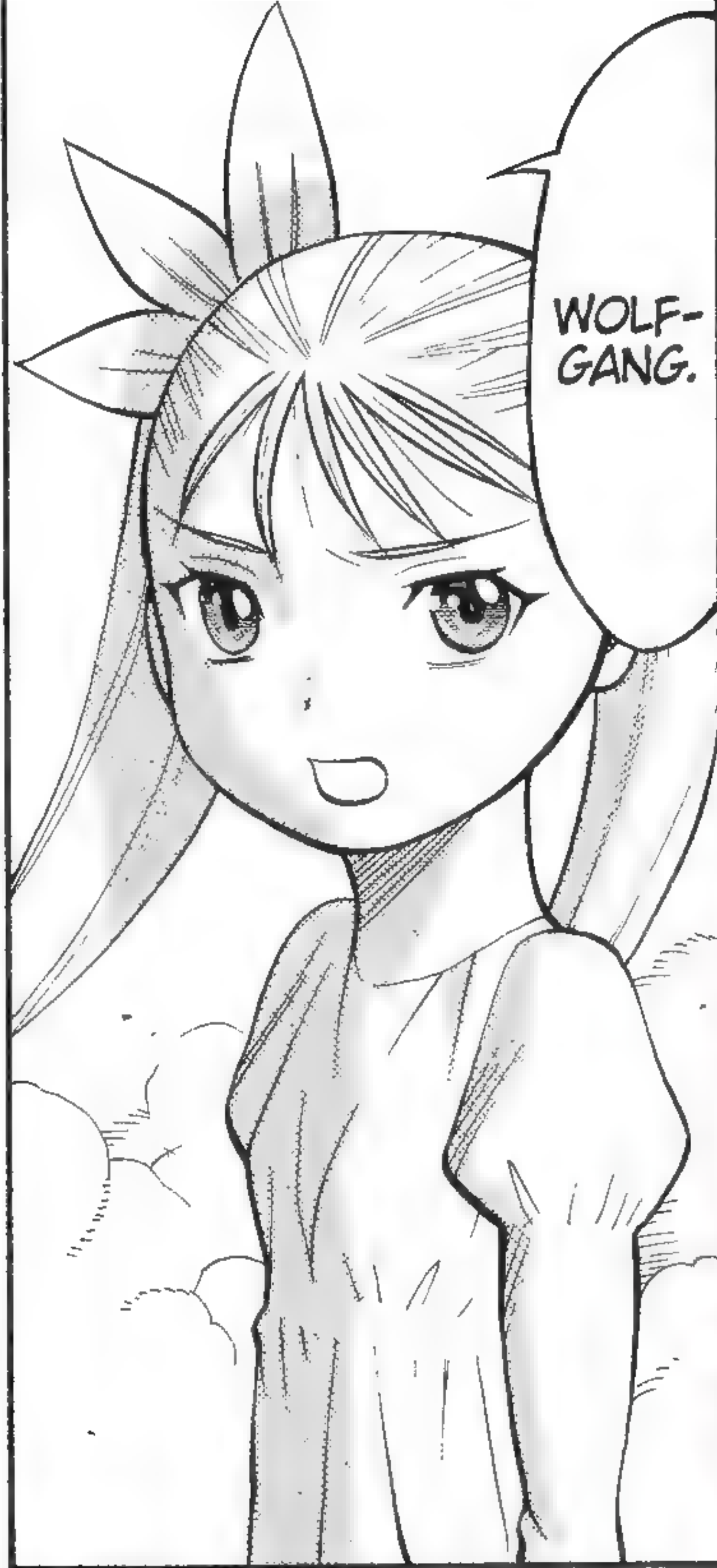
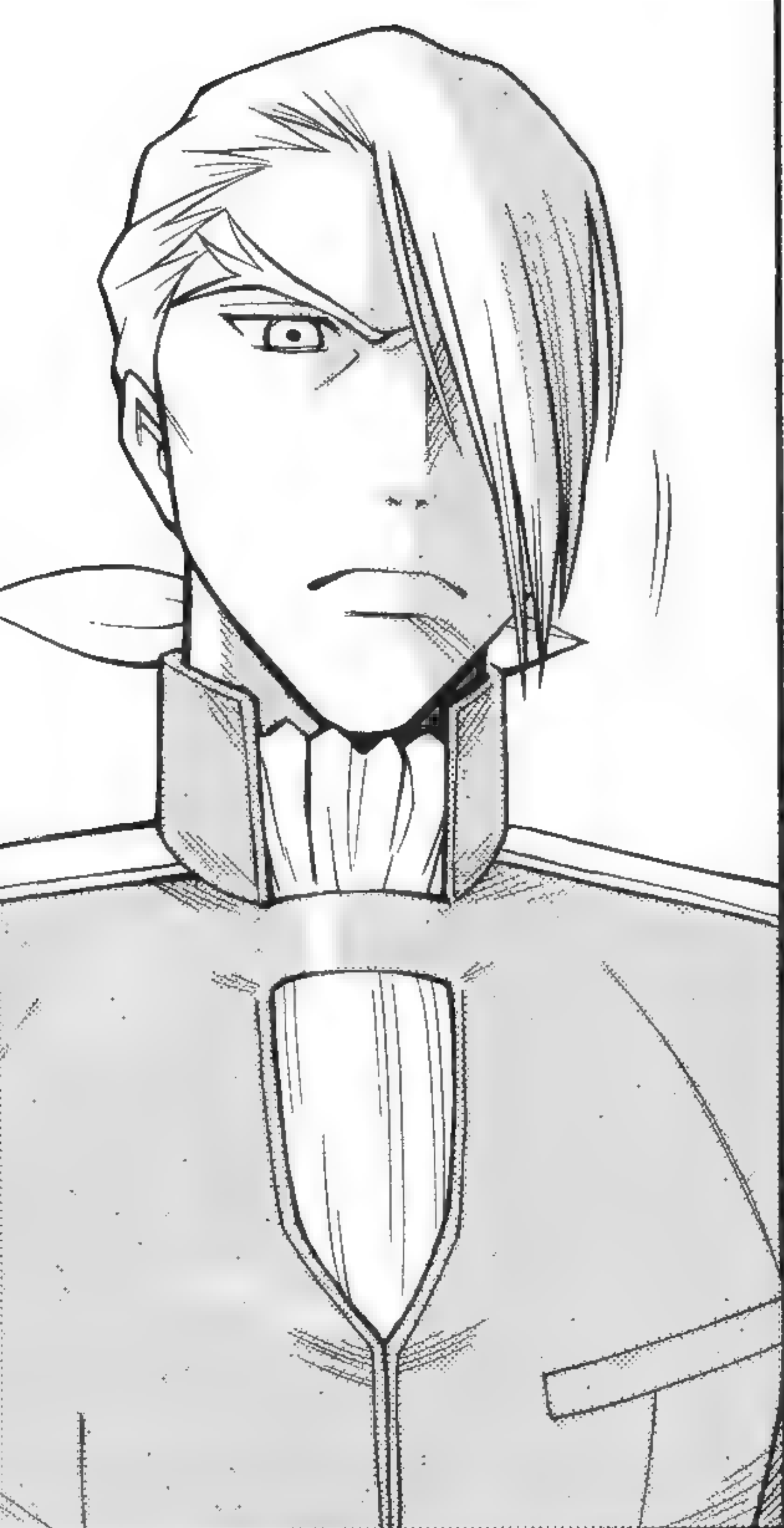
BUT  
NOW THEY  
HAVE  
FINALLY  
FOUND  
OUT.



YES.  
THEY  
KNOW.

THE THREE  
GREAT  
LORDS HAVE  
DISCOVERED  
THAT I AM  
CAPABLE  
OF BEARING  
THEIR  
CHILDREN.





MOBILIZE  
ALL  
BEOWULF  
AND VGS  
UNITS  
IMMEDIATELY!  
MISSION,  
ISLAND-  
WIDE  
SEARCH  
AND  
DESTROY!!



I  
CANNOT  
BELIEVE  
THOSE  
WERE  
THE ONLY  
INVADERS  
SENT.  
THERE  
MUST BE  
MORE!

INITIATE  
CODE  
D-1  
PROTO-  
COLS!  
I WANT  
THE  
ENTIRE  
BLIND  
ON FULL  
ALERT,  
NOW!!

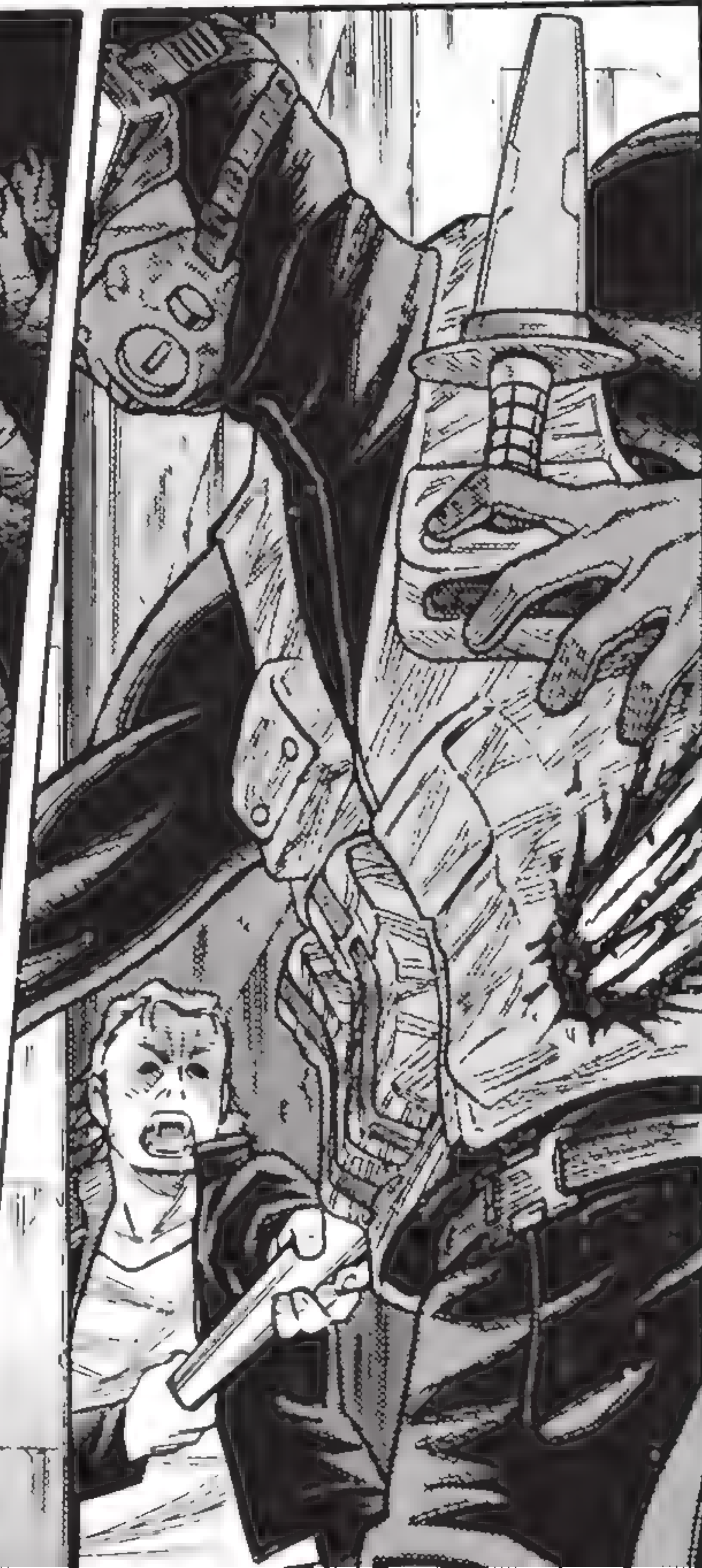
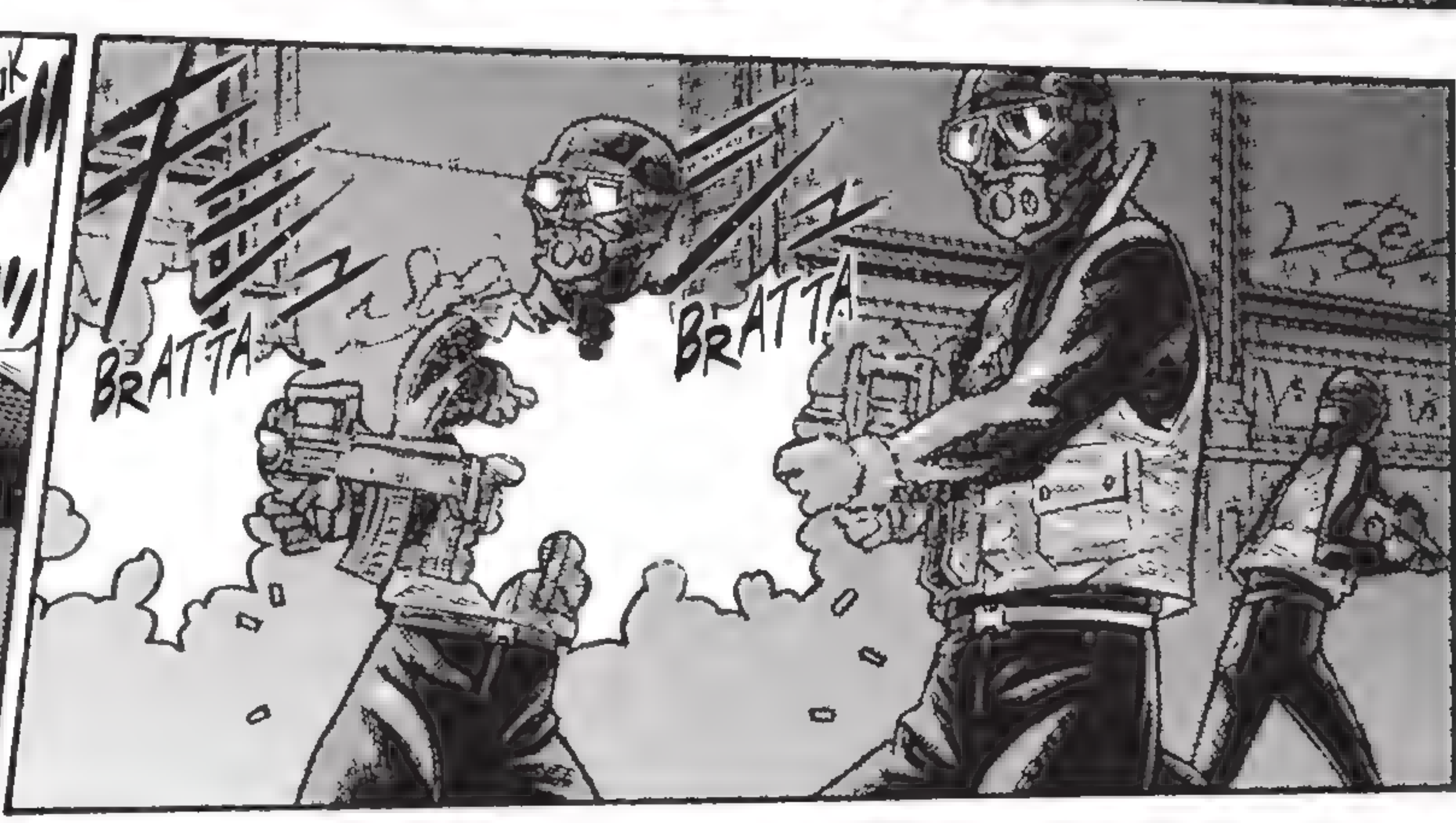
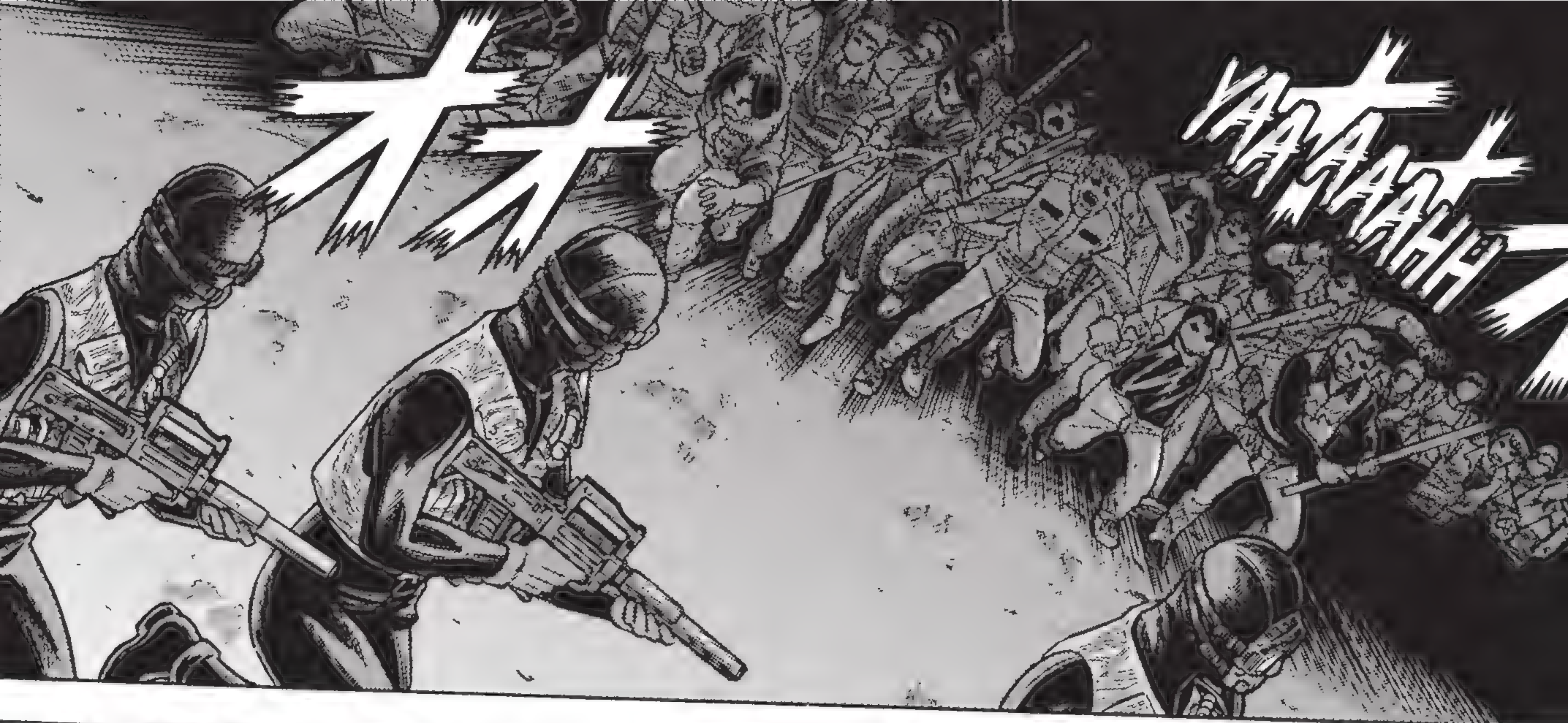




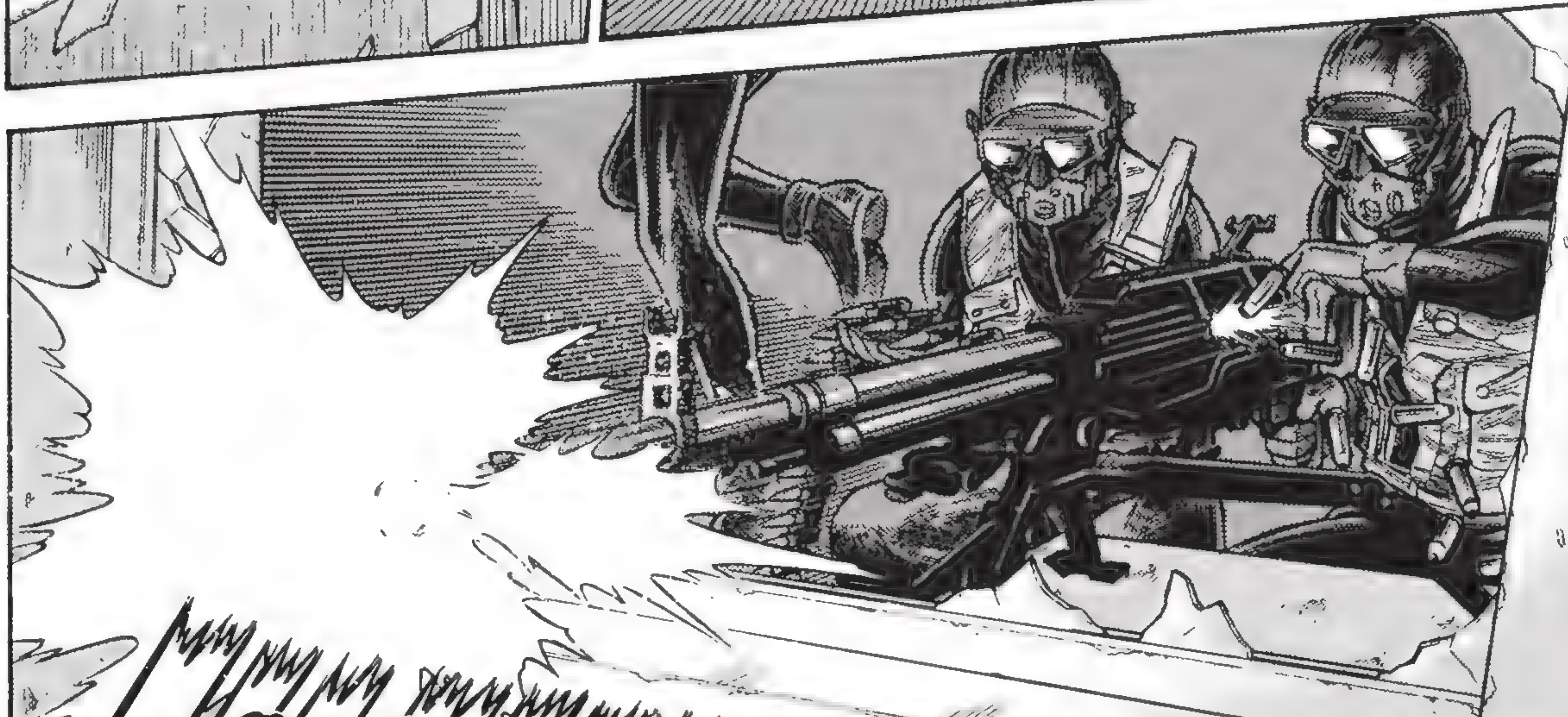
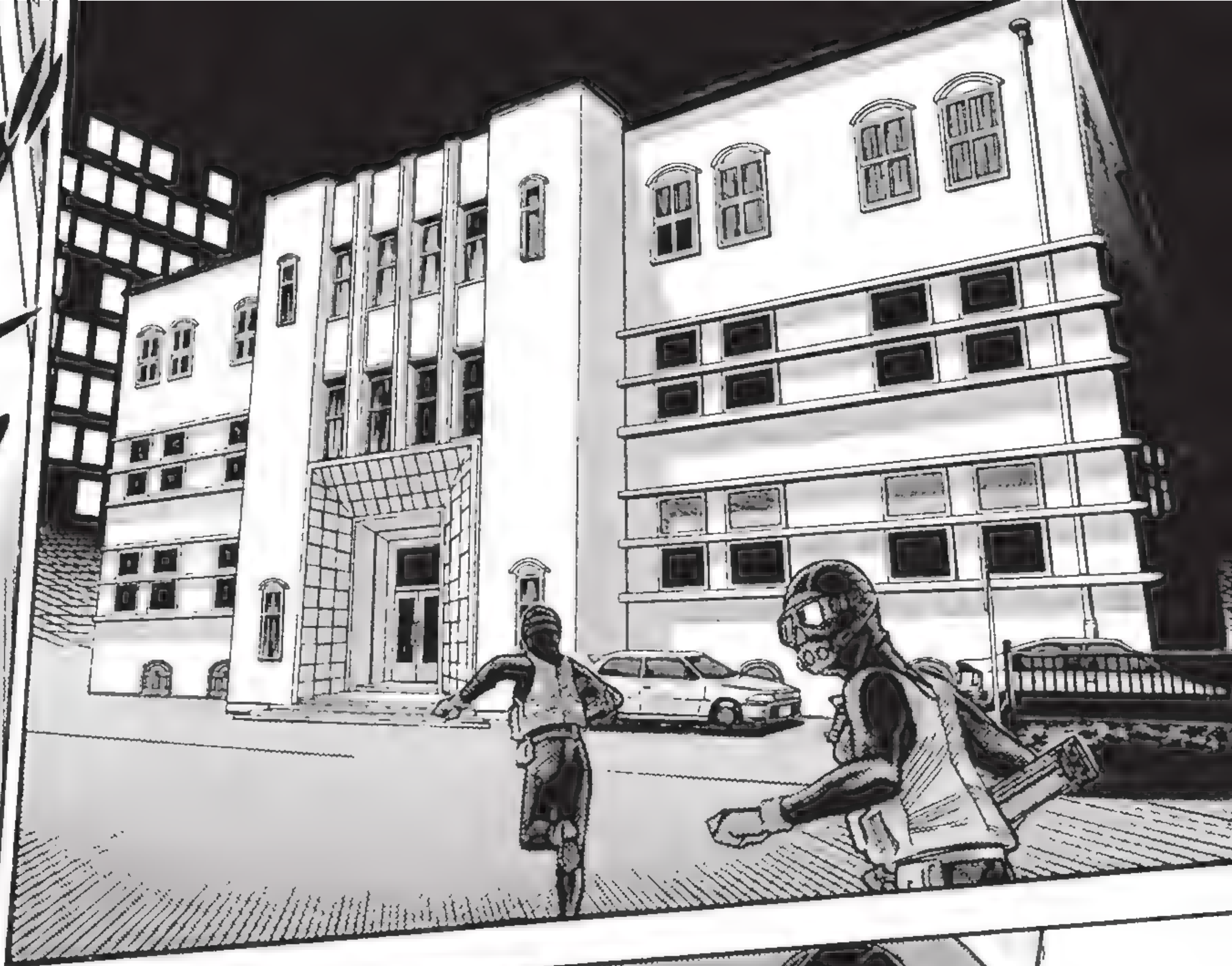
**ACCESS**

C.I.W.S.  
DIRECT CONTROL  
OFF LINE





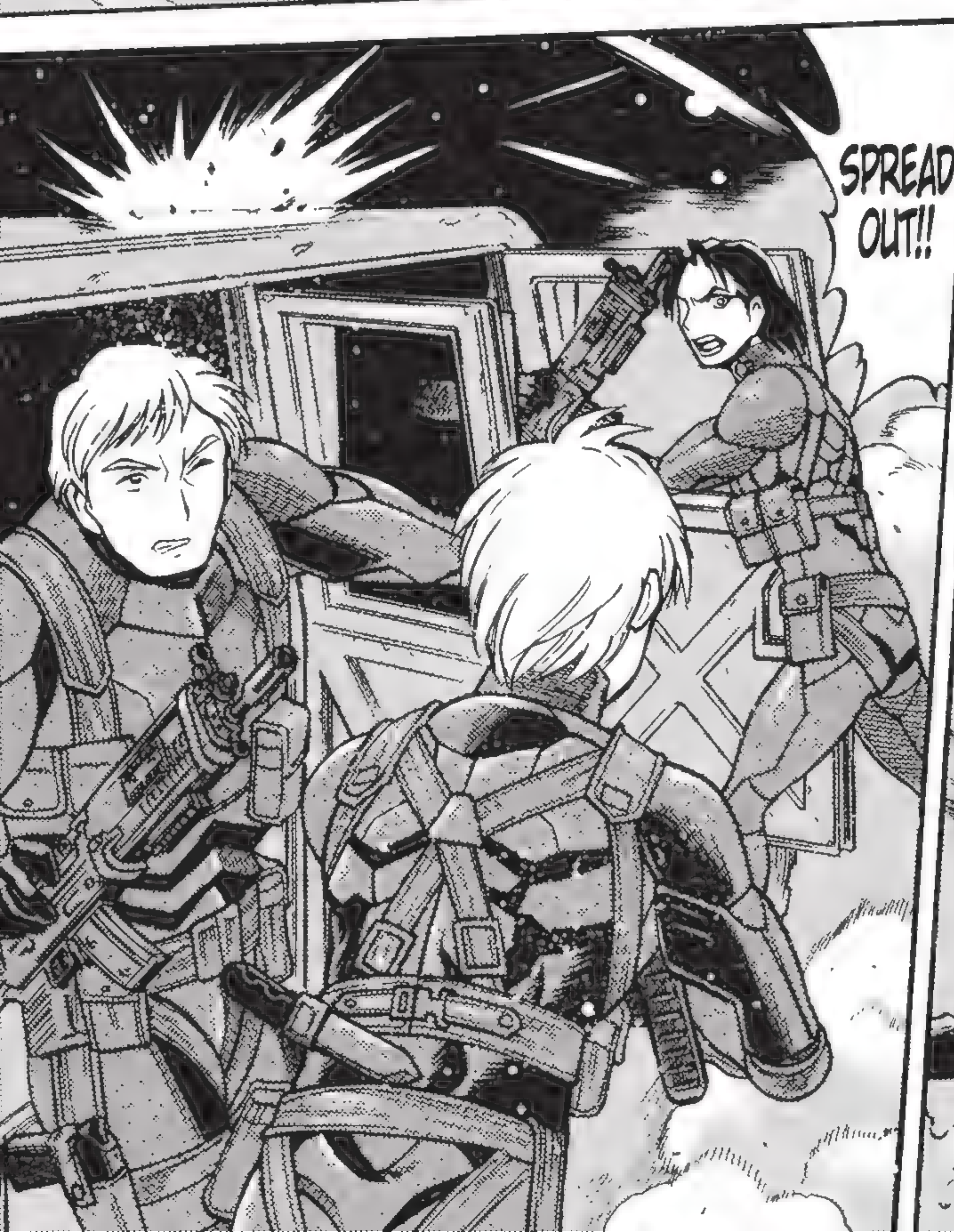




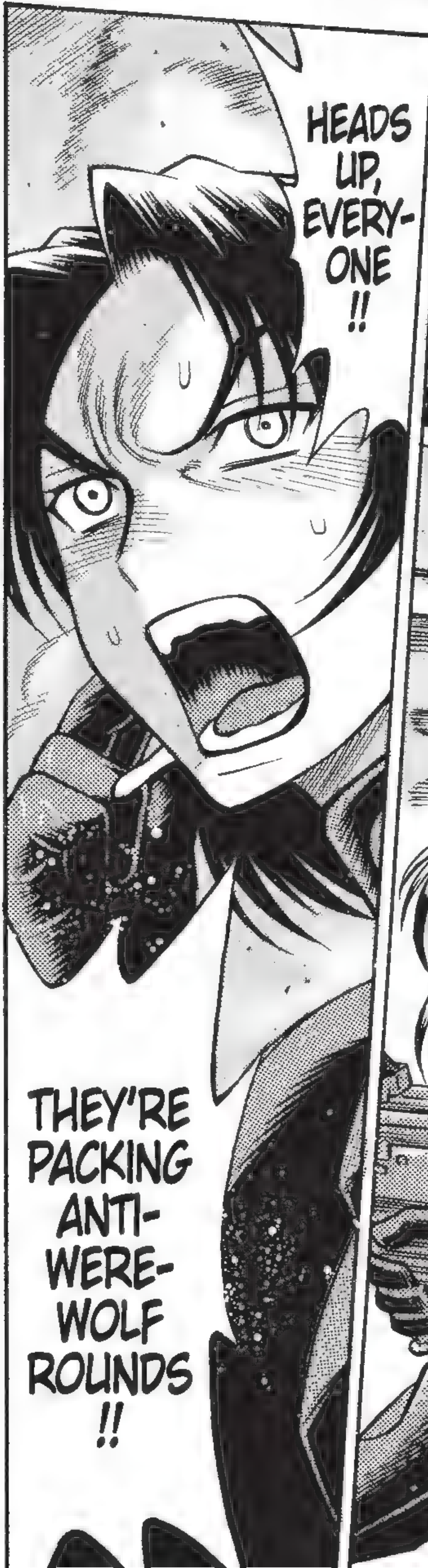
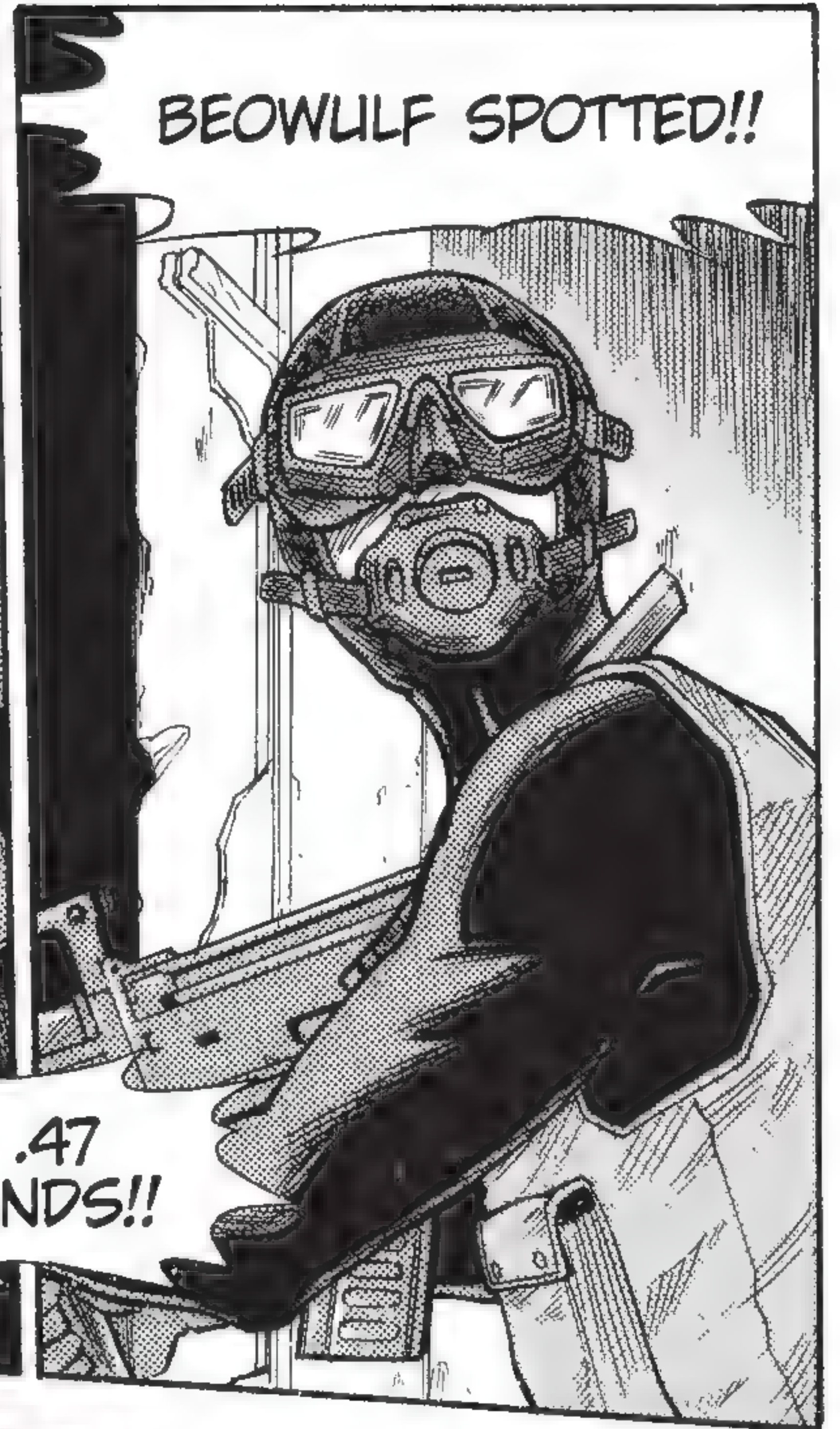
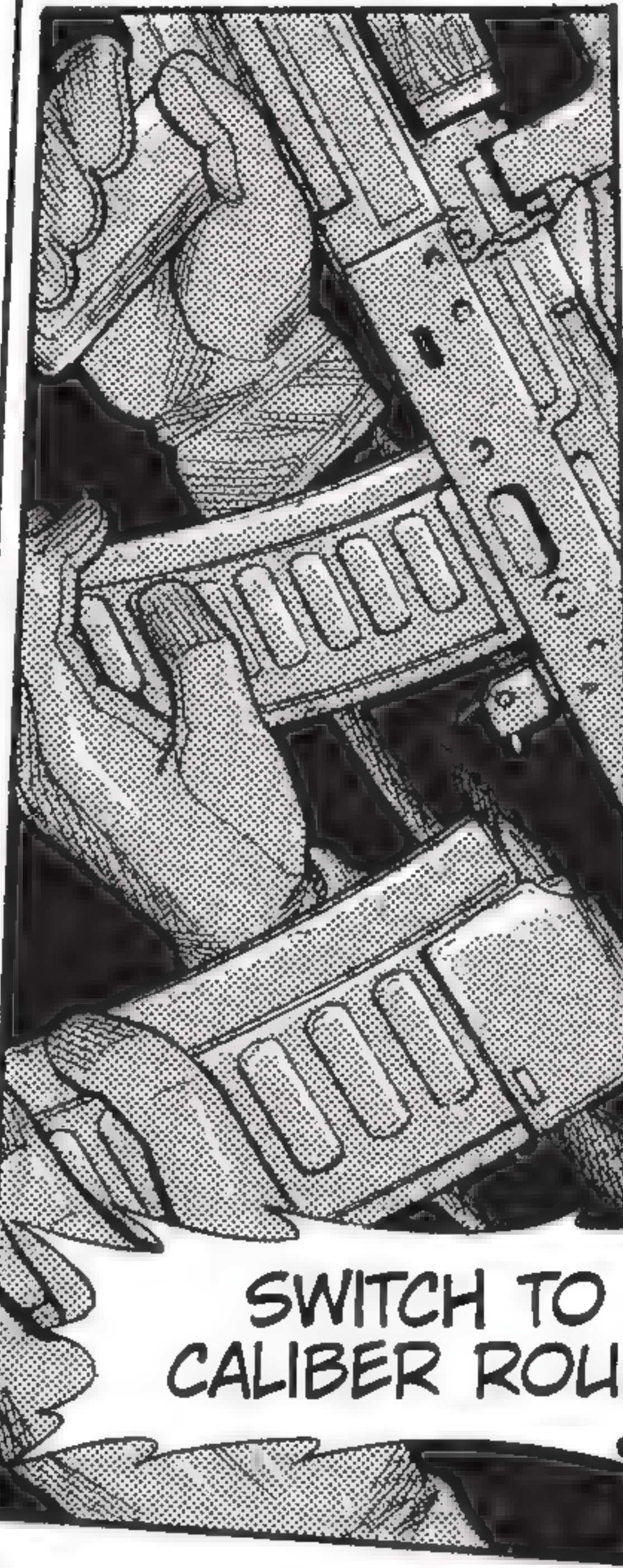
BRAT-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT



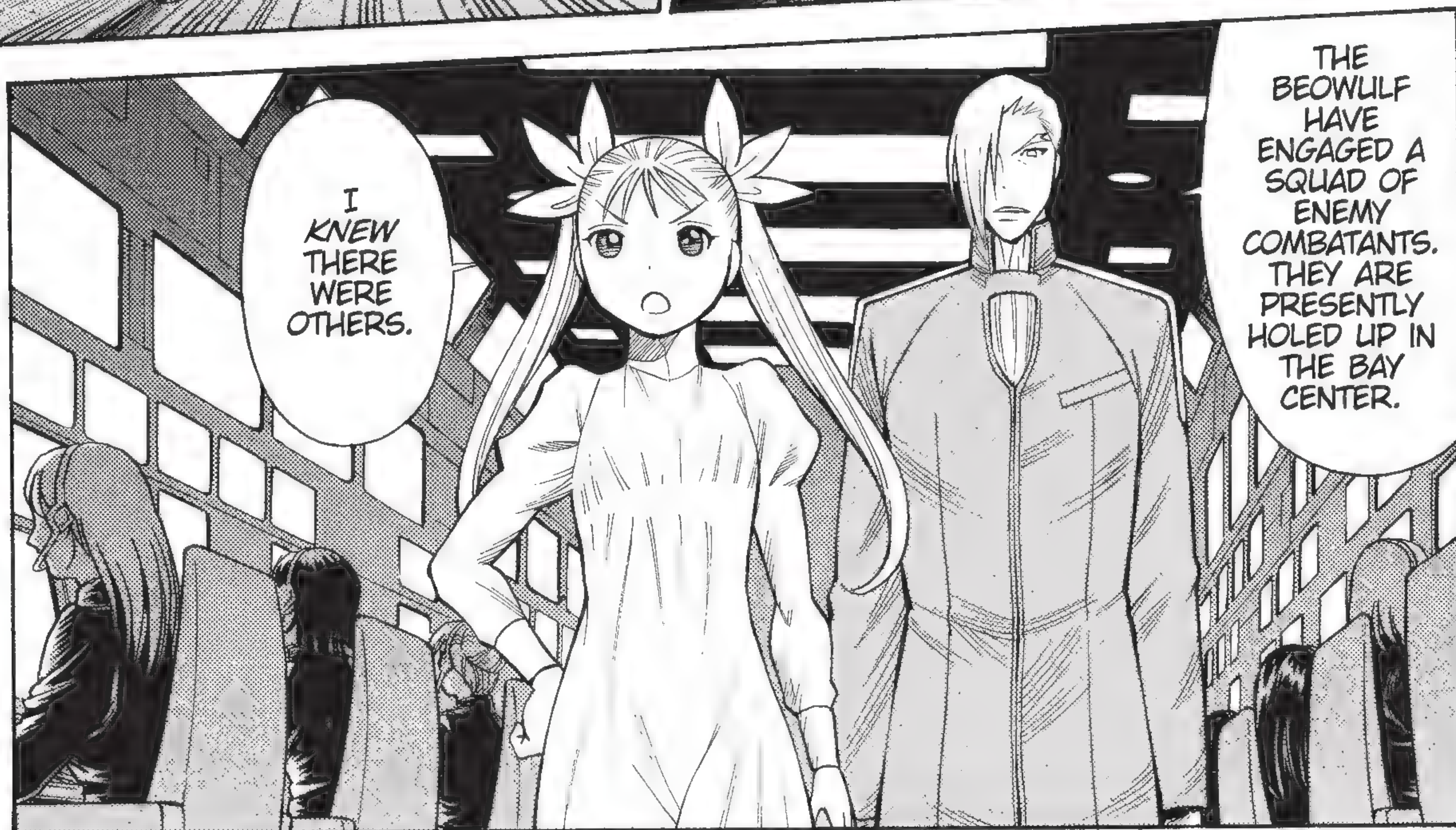
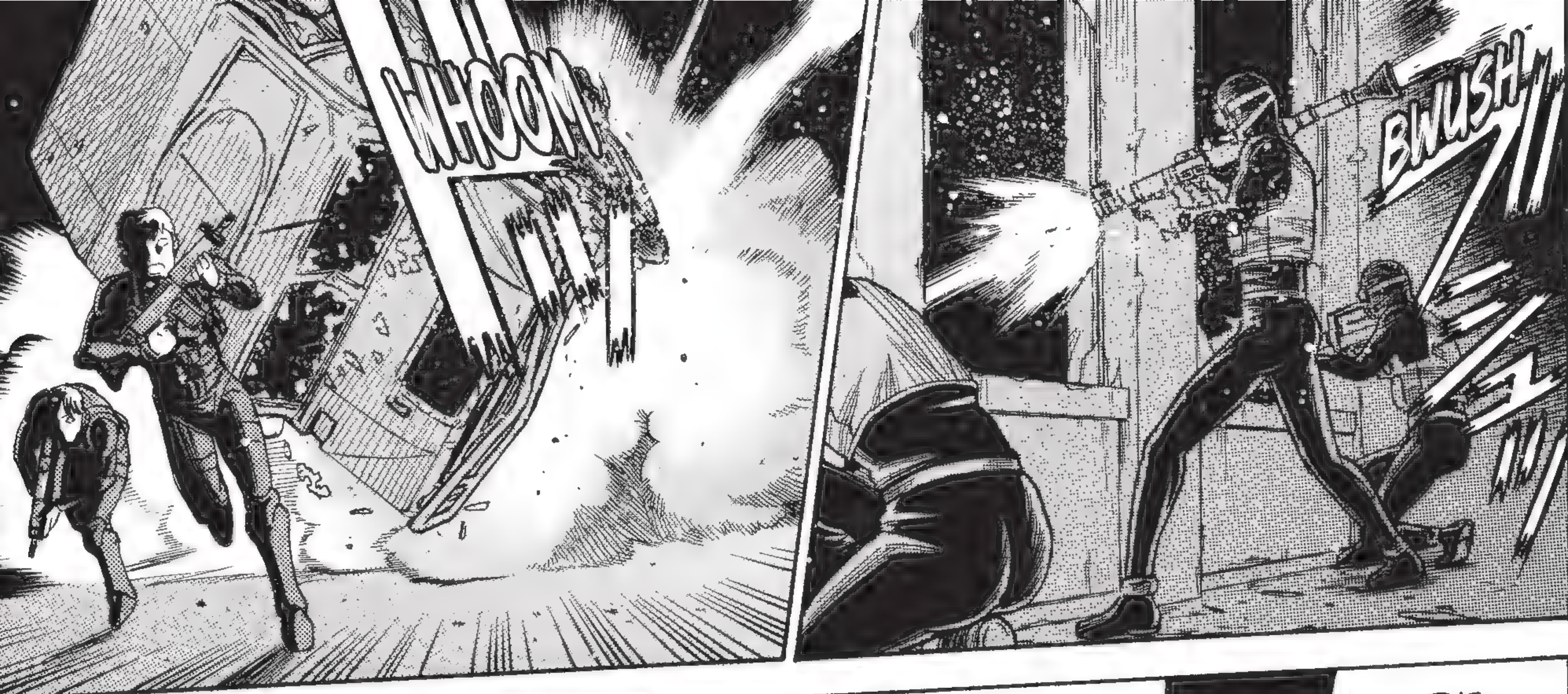




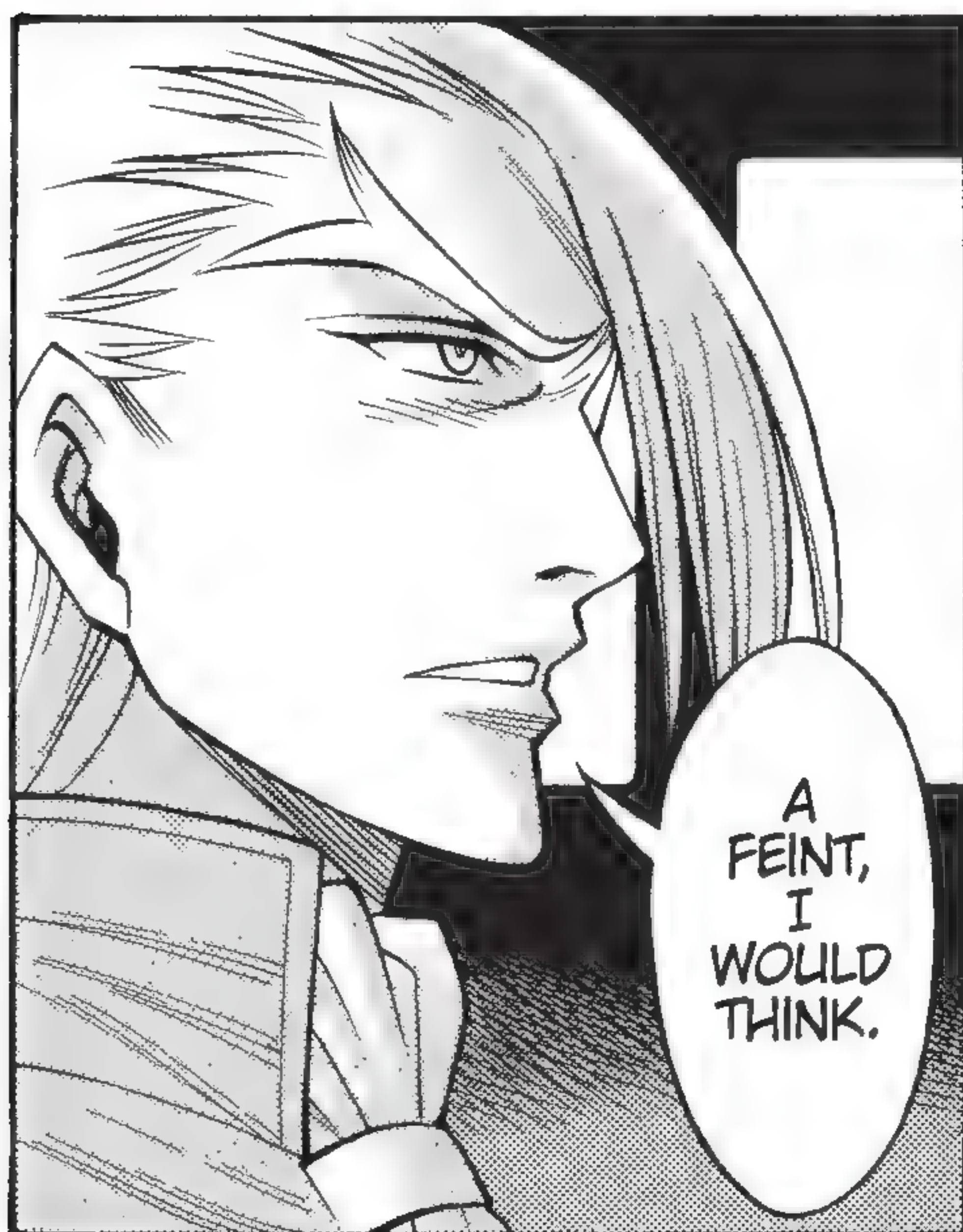
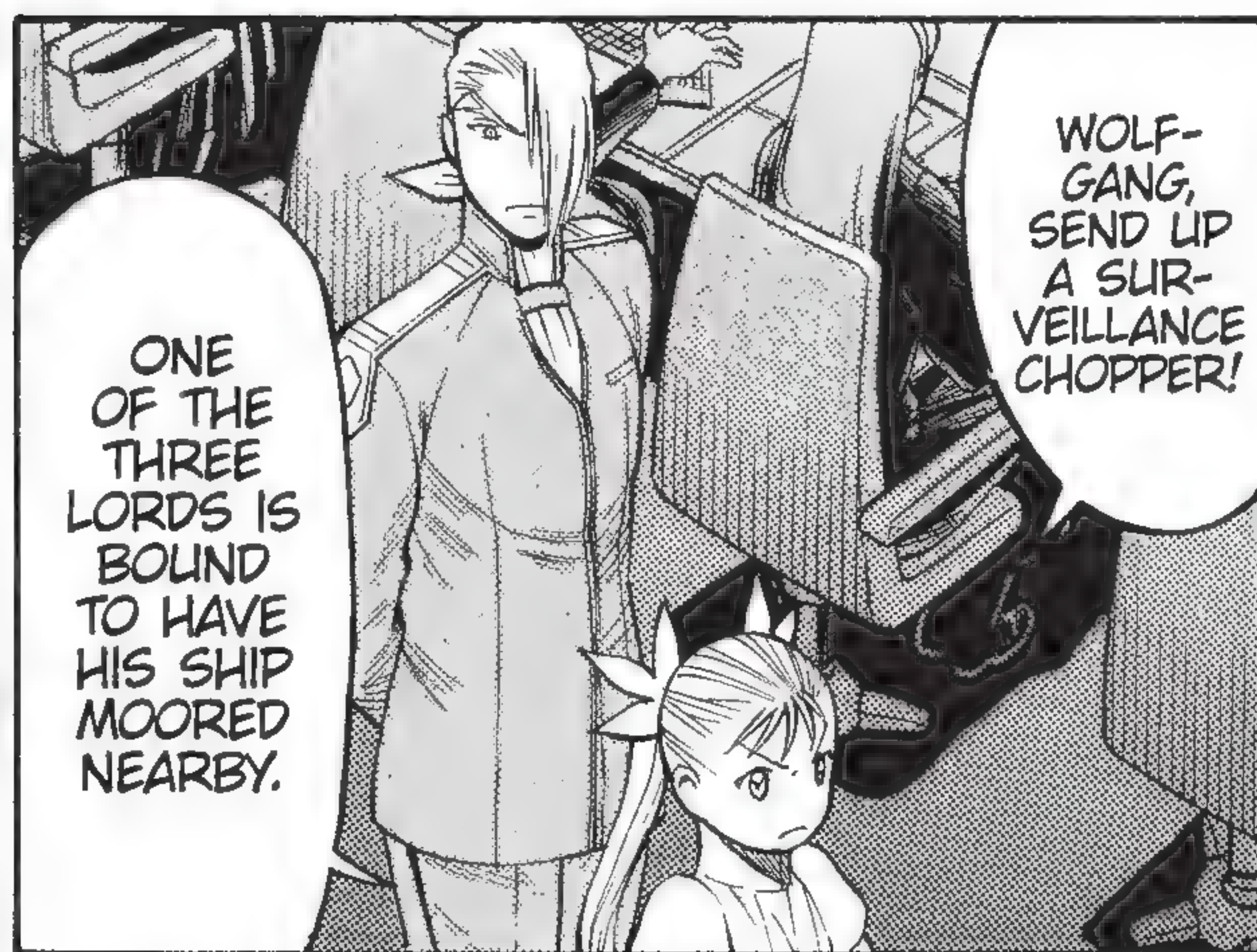
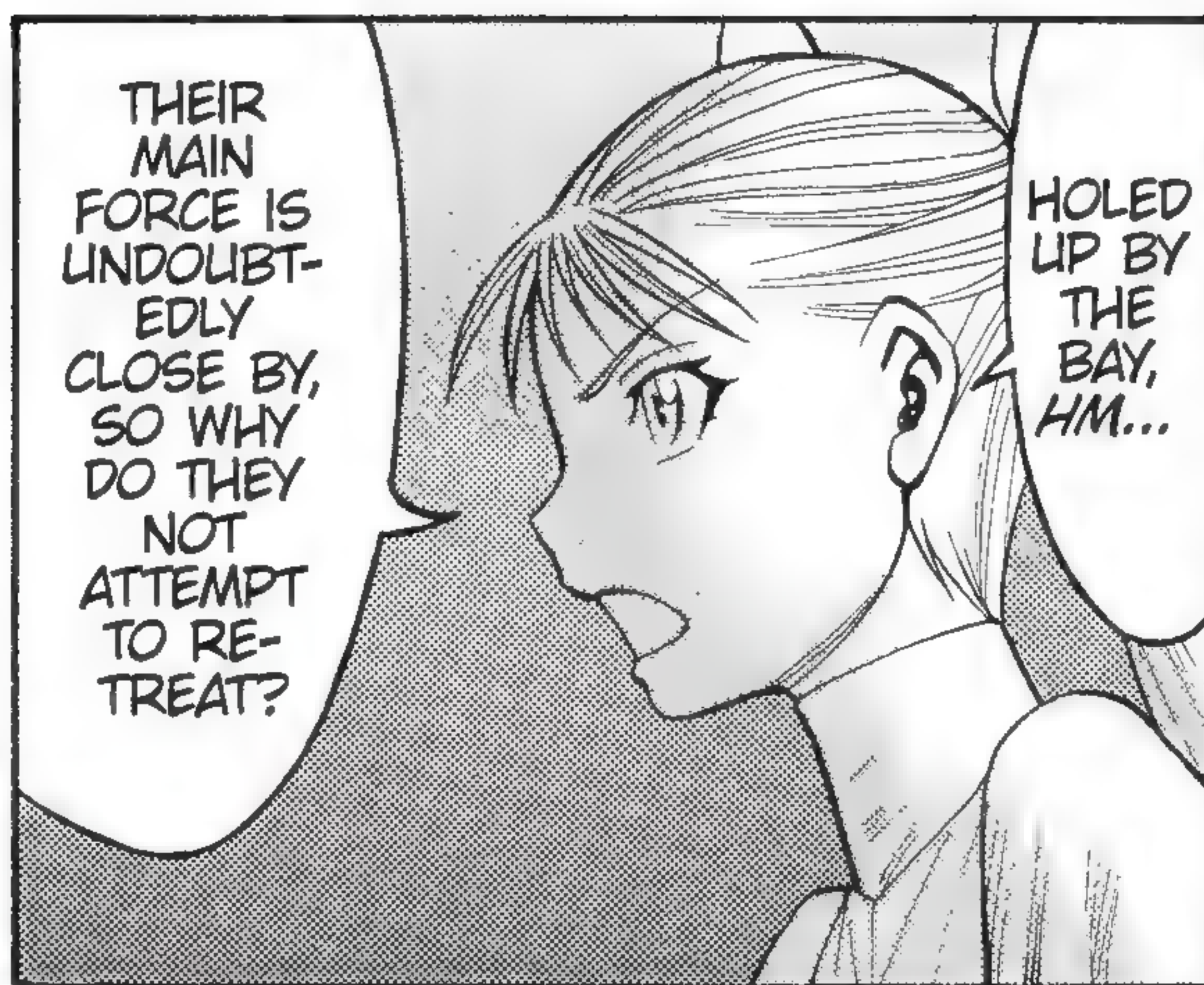
















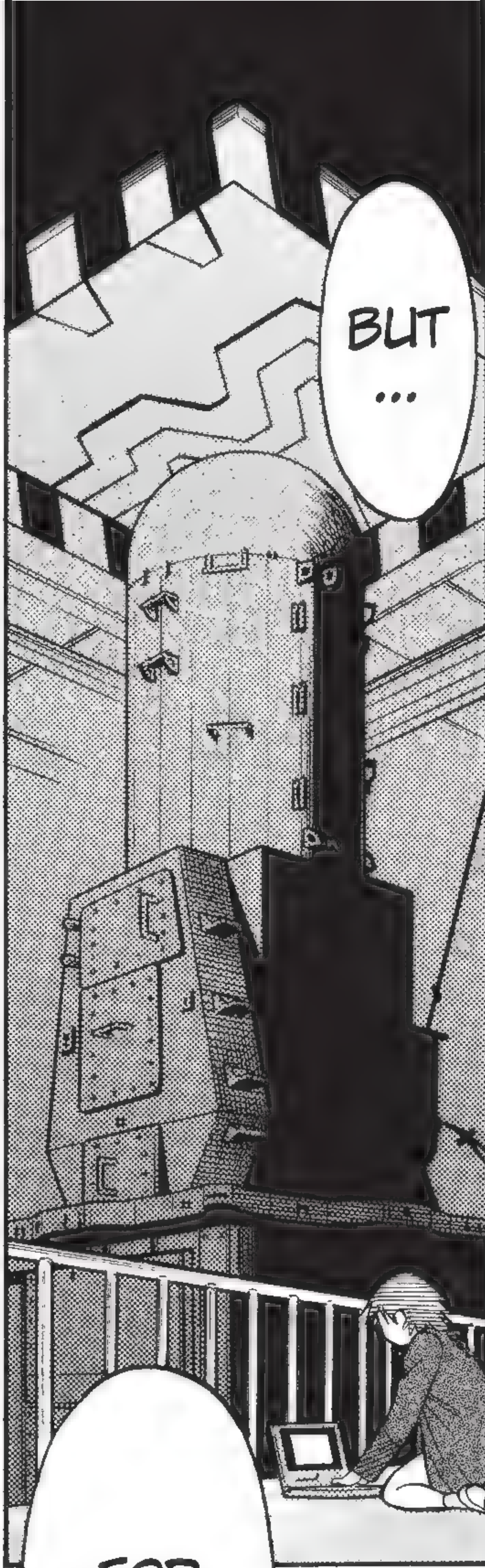
WHATEVER  
IT MAY BE,  
LETTING  
THEM HAVE  
THAT TIME  
SEEMS TO  
BE A POOR  
PLAN.

WITH YOUR  
PERMISSION,  
YOUR  
MAJESTY,  
I WILL HAVE  
THE BEOWULF  
STORM THEIR  
POSITION.



NO.

I WILL  
NOT WASTE  
THE LIVES  
OF MY  
KNIGHTS  
ON THIS  
FARCE.



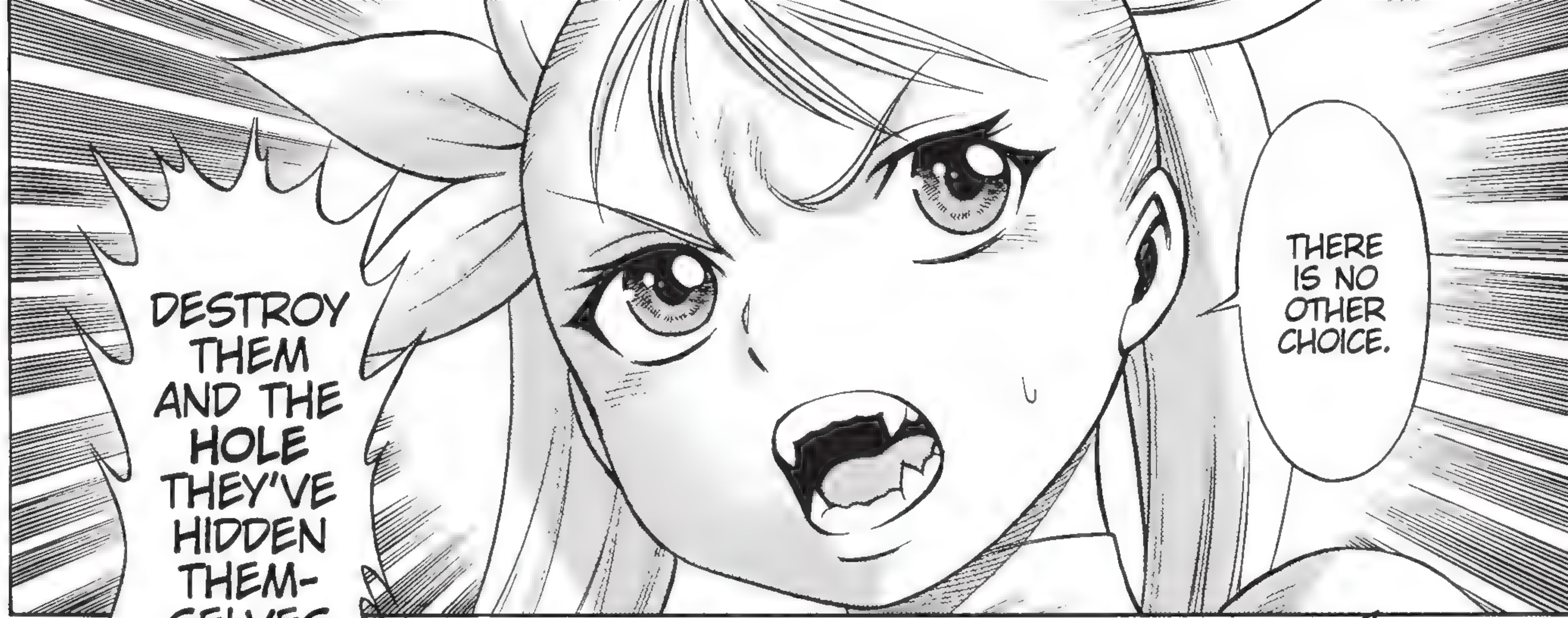
BUT  
...

FOR  
WHAT  
...?



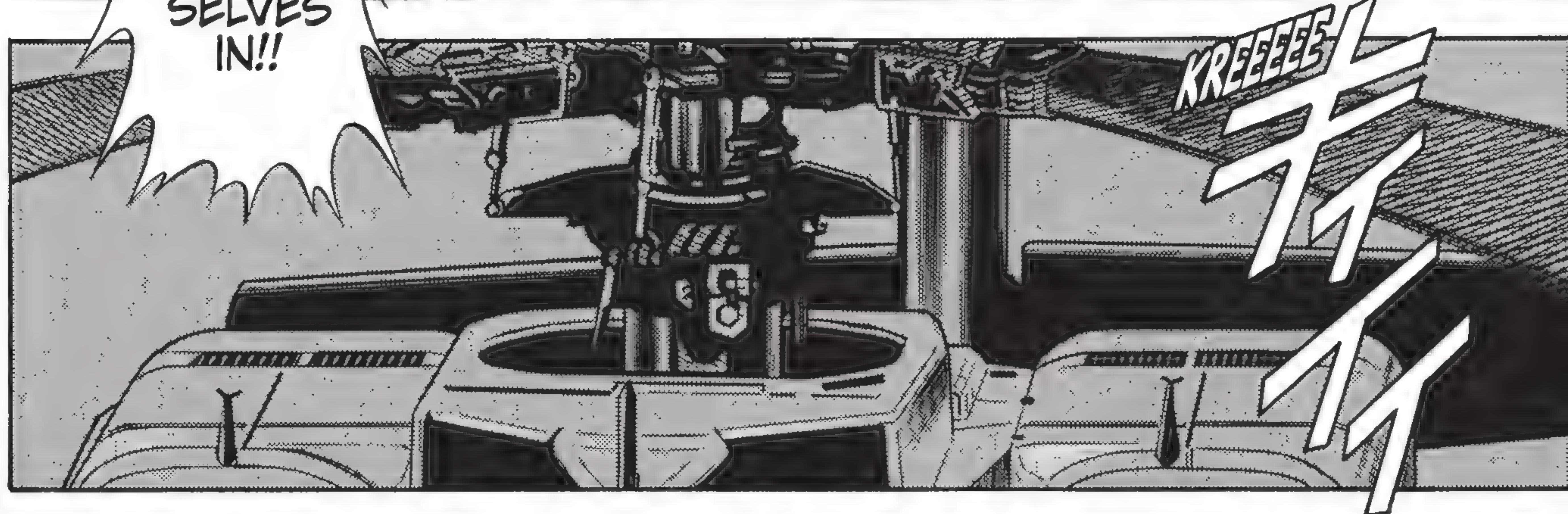
THEY'RE  
BUYING  
TIME!!



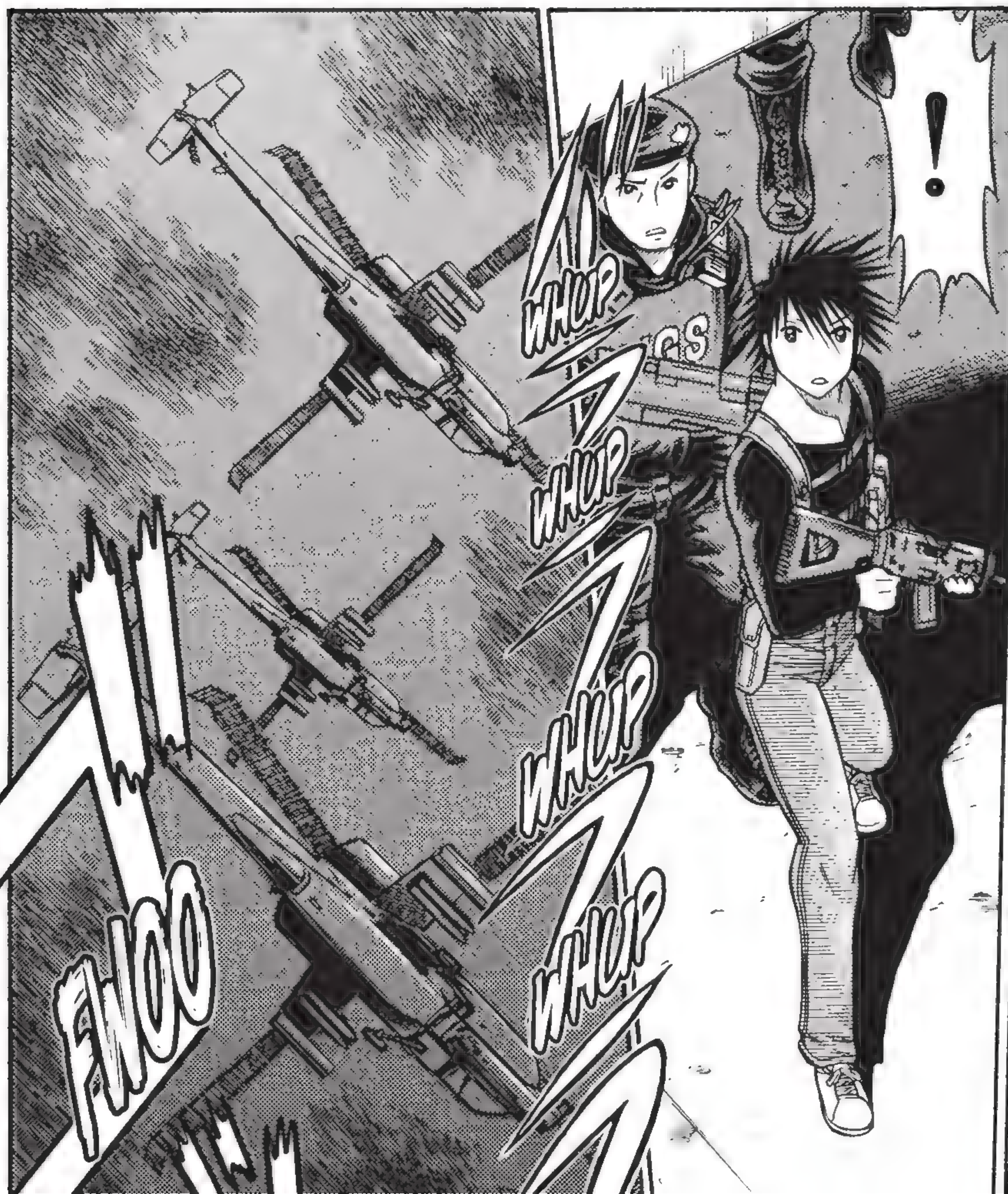


DESTROY  
THEM  
AND THE  
HOLE  
THEY'VE  
HIDDEN  
THEM-  
SELVES  
IN!!

THERE  
IS NO  
OTHER  
CHOICE.



KREEEE  
キ  
キ



WHOP

WHOP

WHOP

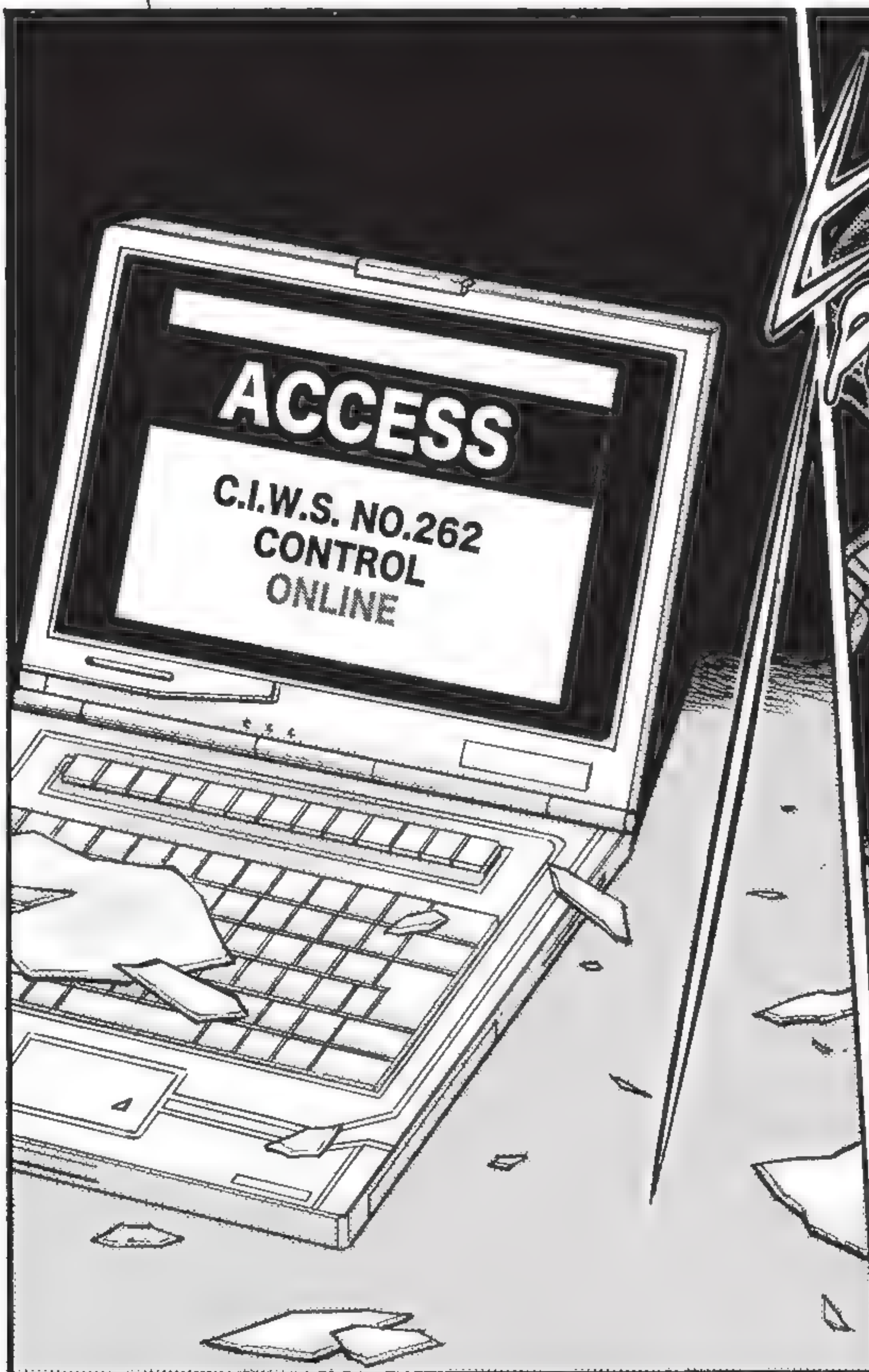
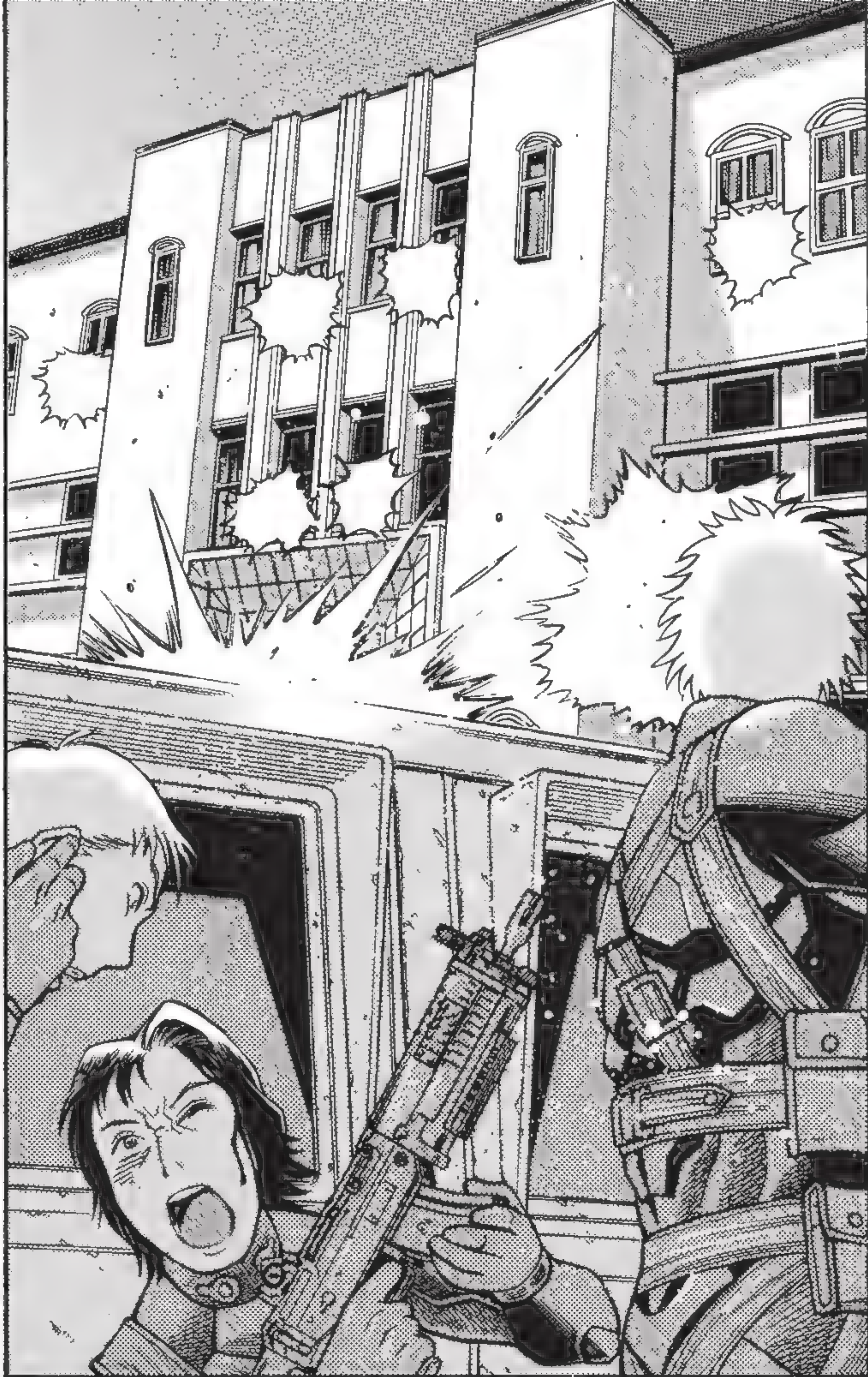
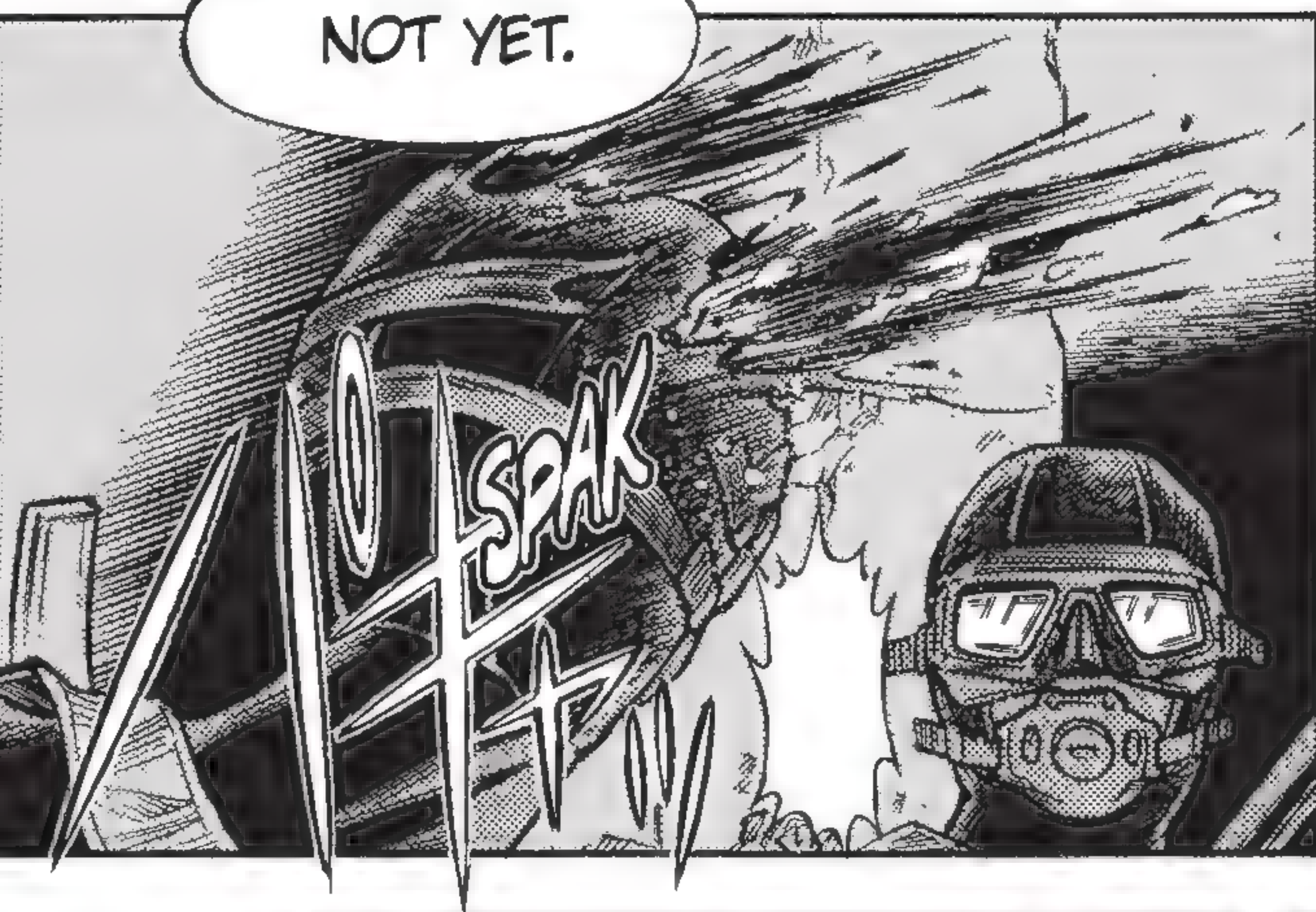
WHOP



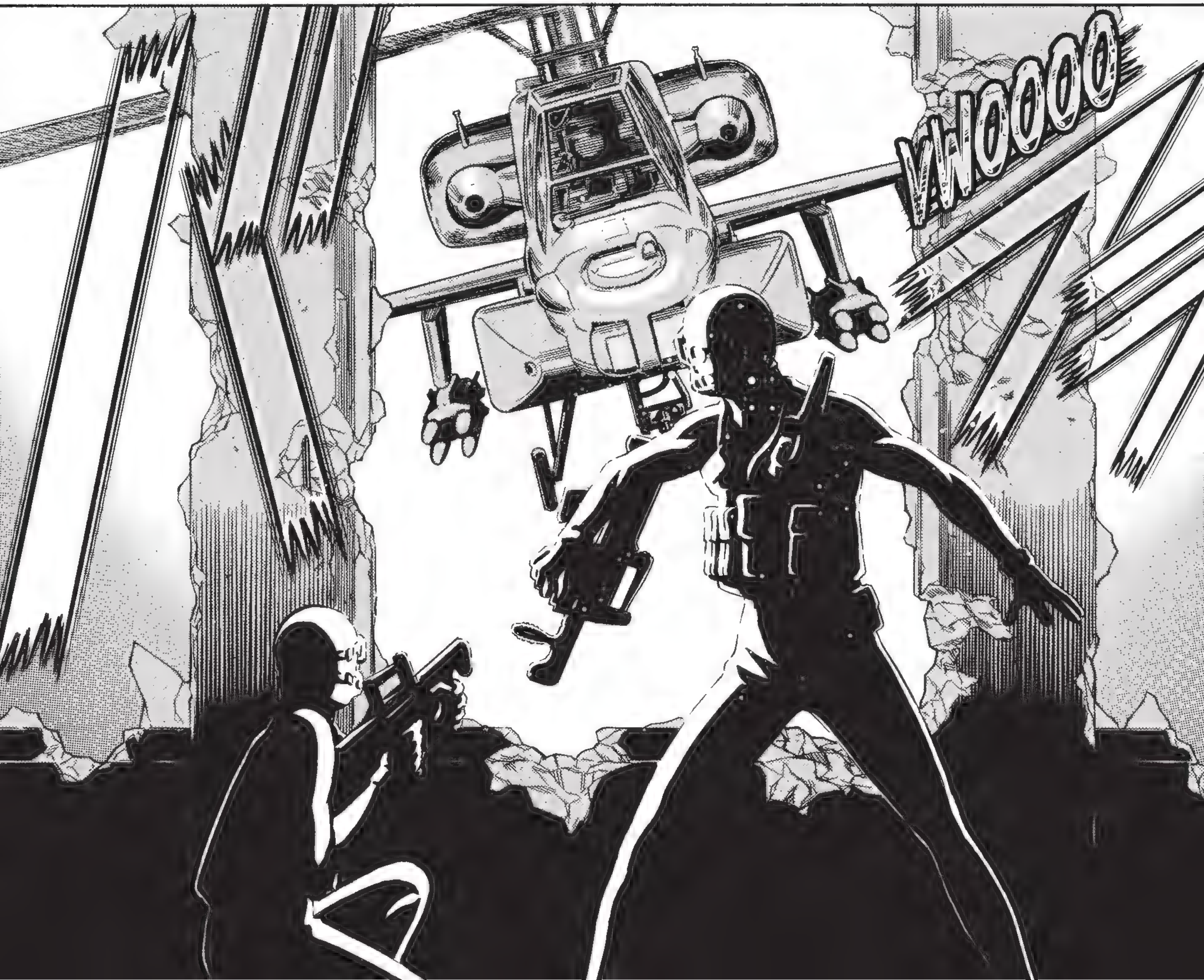
CHAK







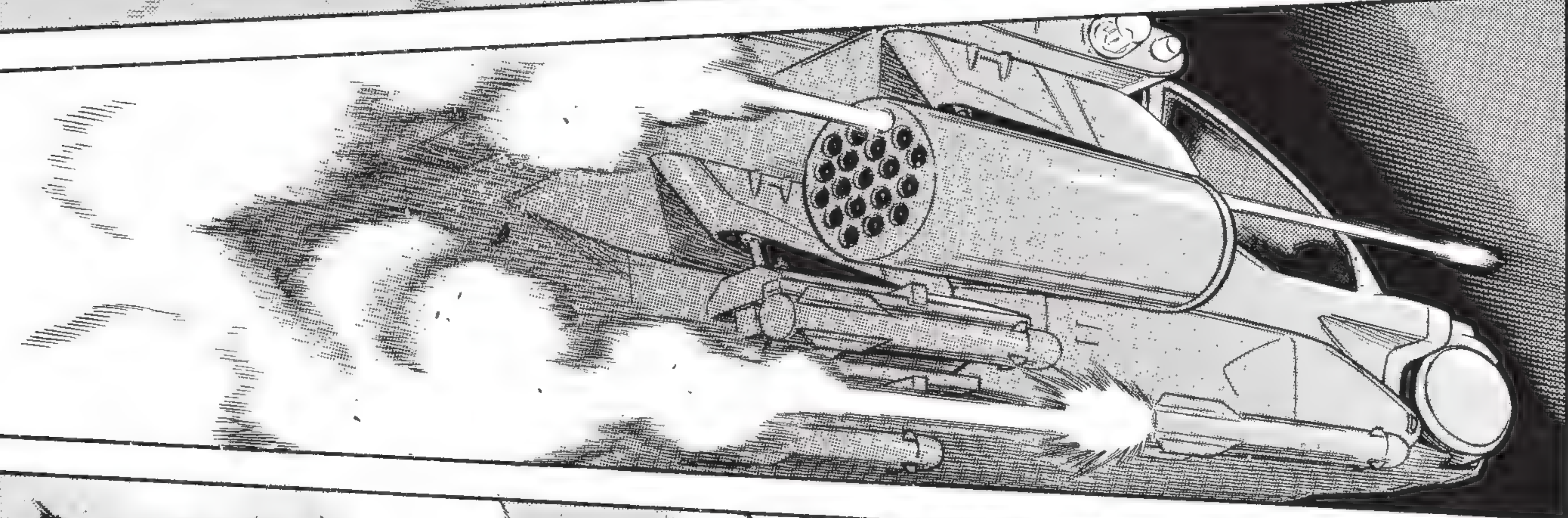
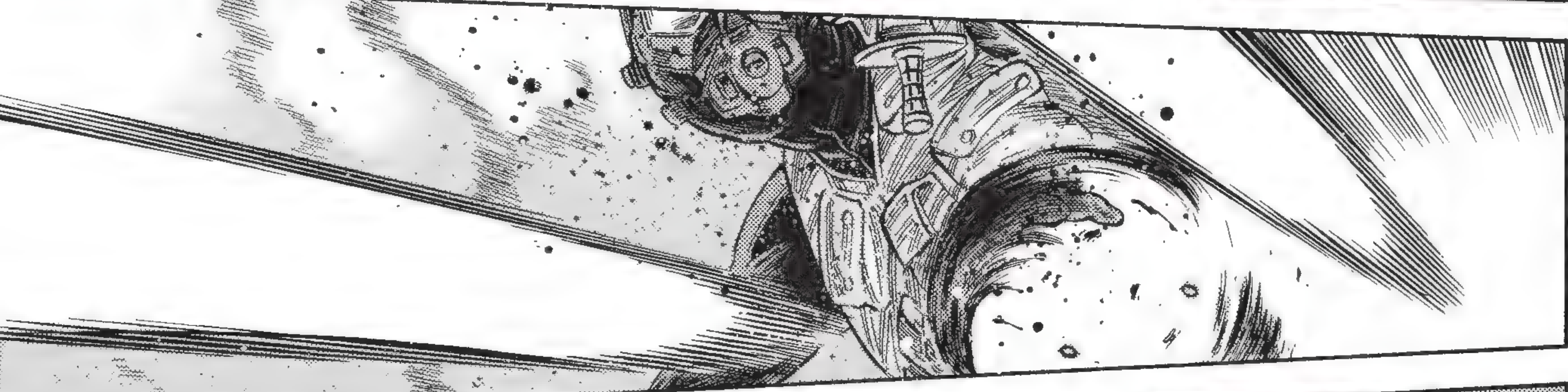






IVANOVIC.

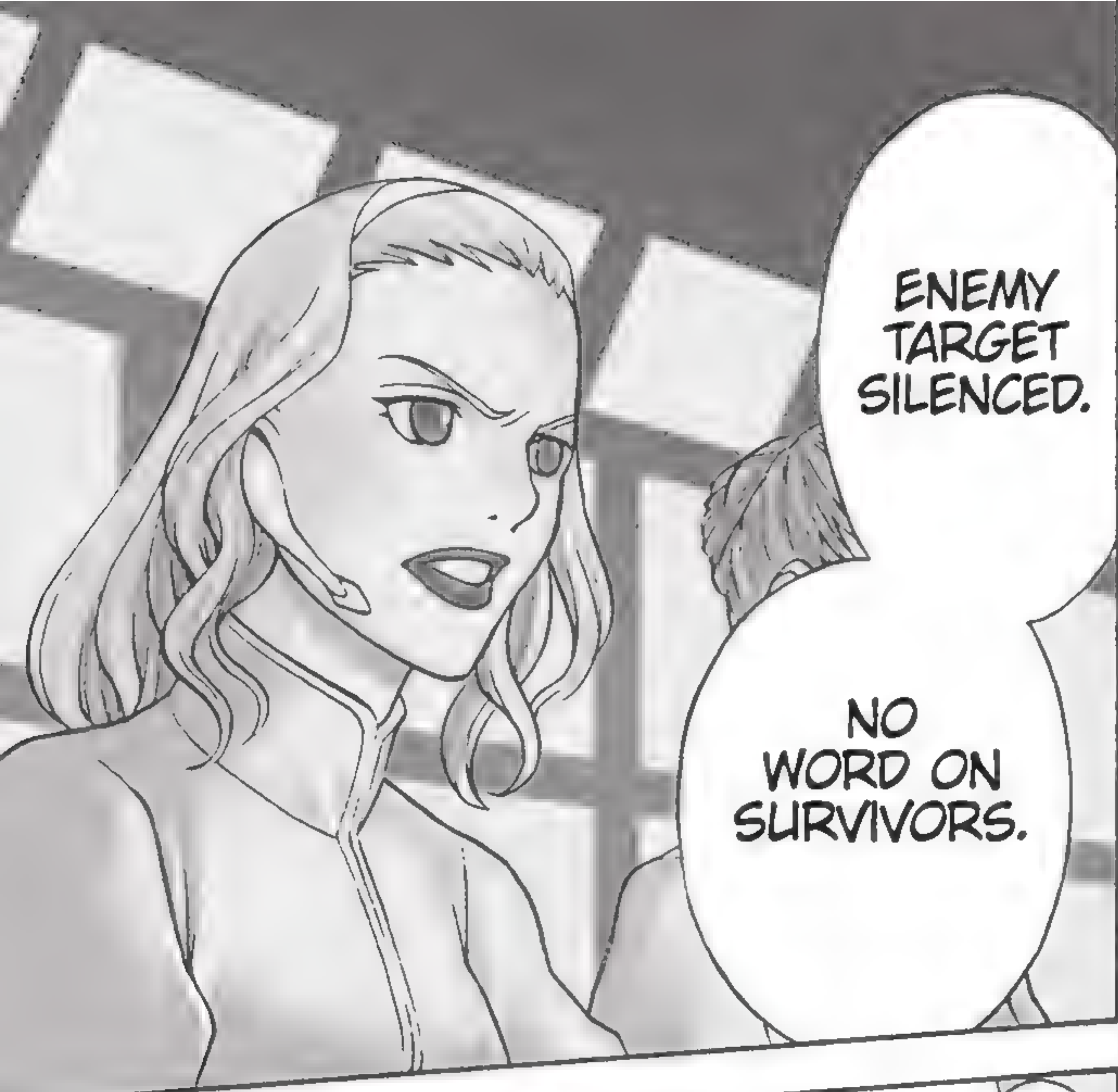
ALL GLORY TO...







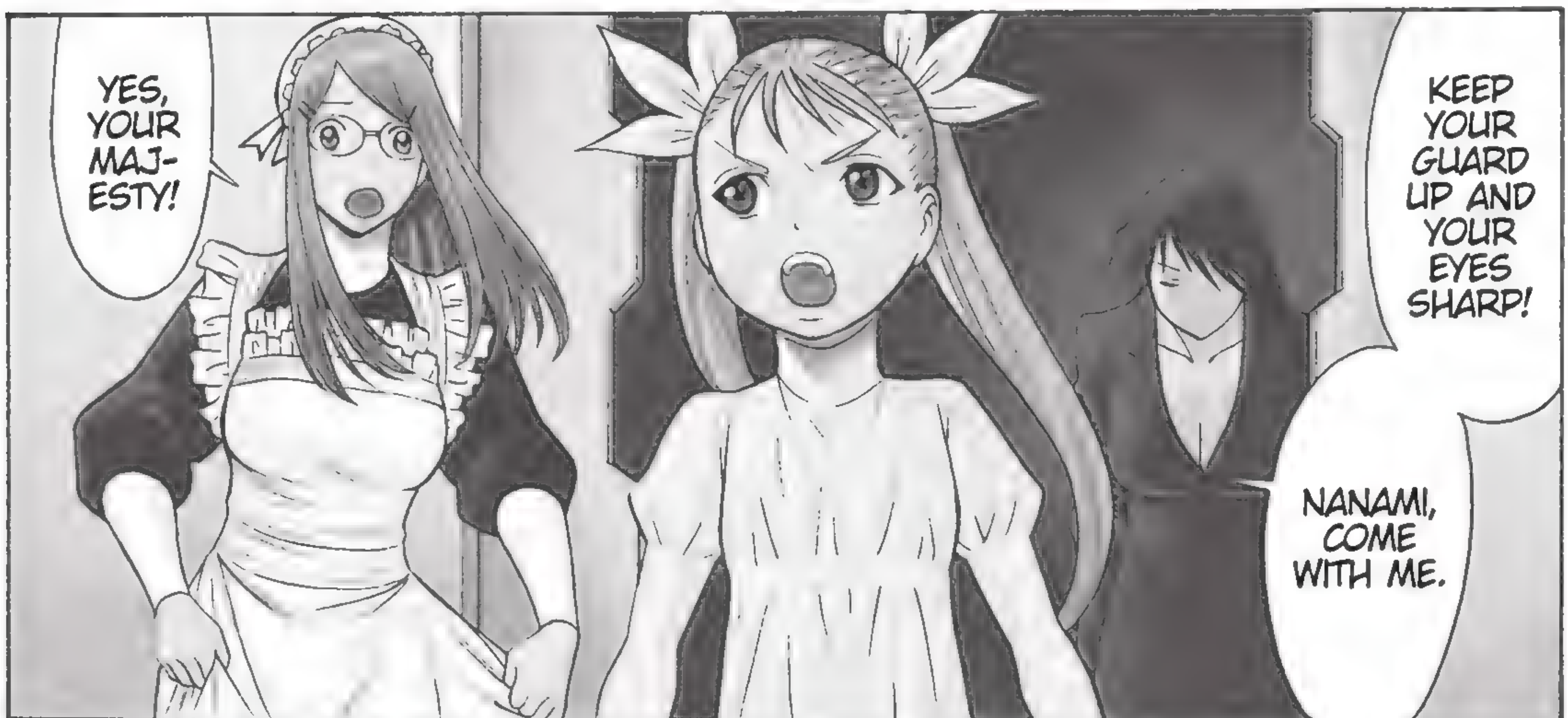
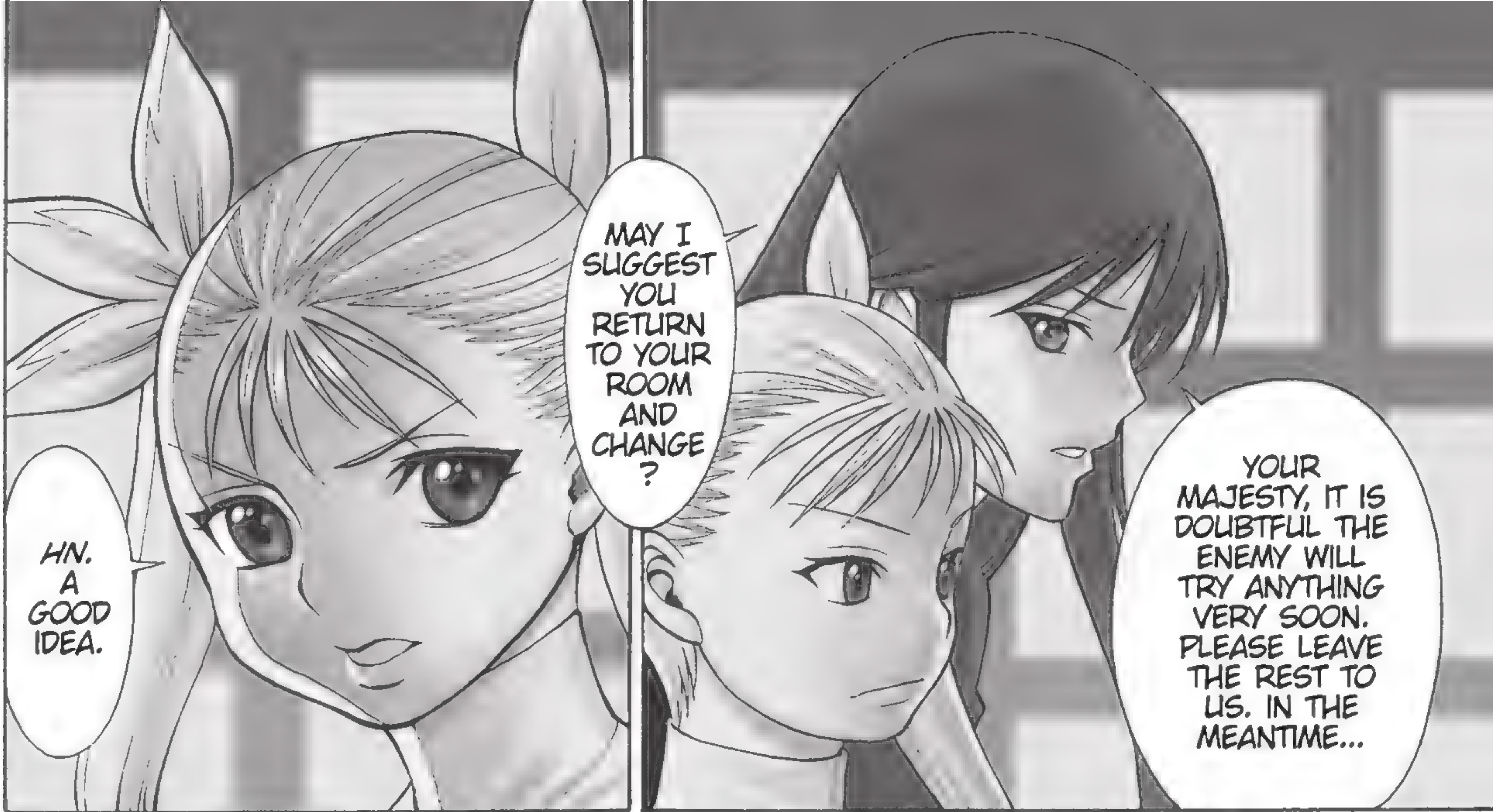
















HMPH!  
I HAVEN'T  
SEEN THIS  
MANY  
WOUNDED  
SINCE MY  
STINT IN  
THE ARMY  
DURING  
WORLD  
WAR II.

WHAT  
DO YOU  
NEED,  
NURSE?

SACHI-  
SENSEI!

HOLD  
STILL!  
YOU'RE  
GONNA  
DIE IF  
THAT  
BULLET  
REACHES  
YOUR  
HEART!!

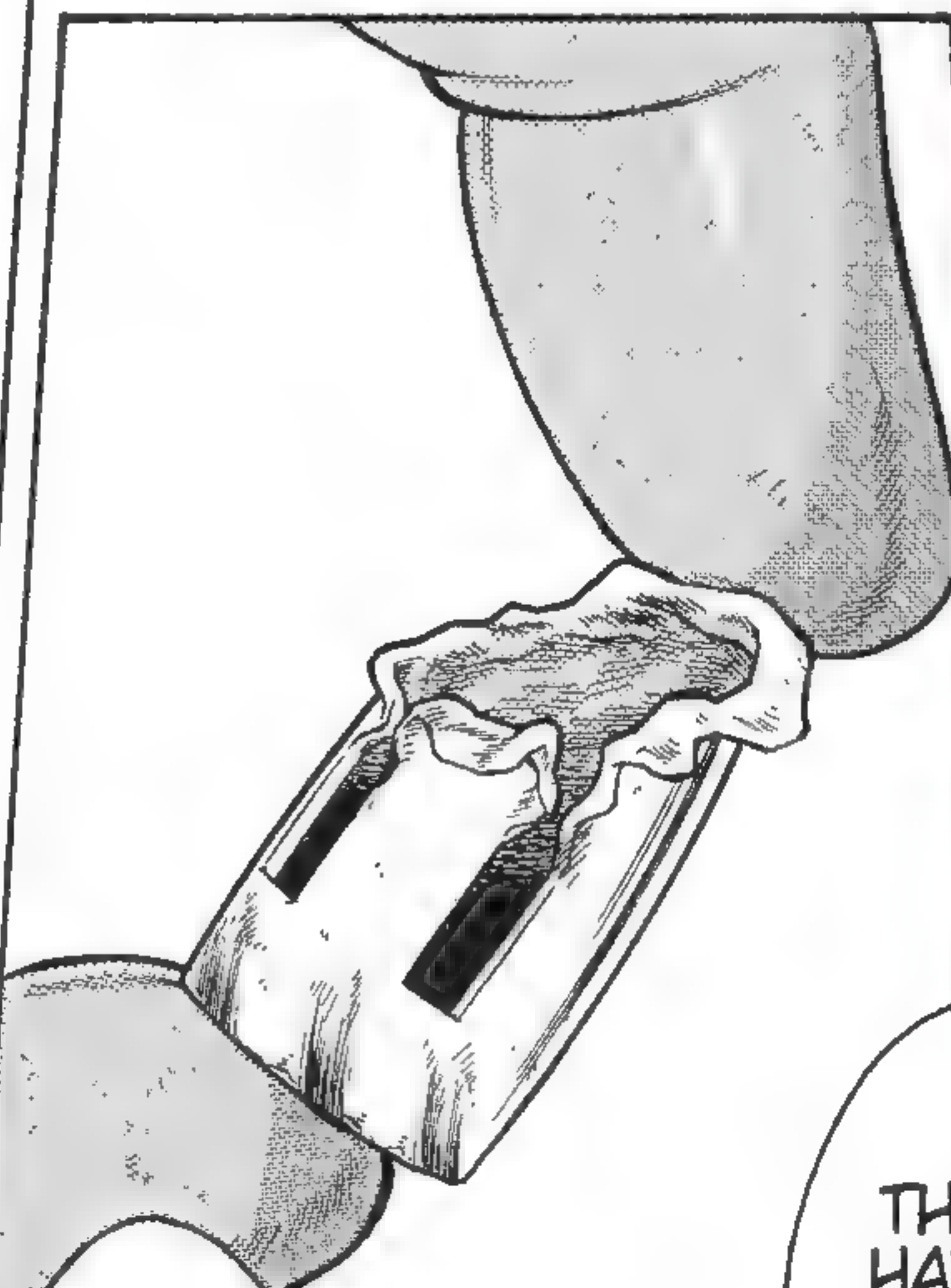


SOME-  
BODY  
GIVE  
ME A  
HAND  
OVER  
HERE  
!!

HE'S  
GOING  
INTO  
SHOCK  
!!



SENSEI,  
LOOK AT  
THIS. IT'S A  
BULLET A  
NURSE  
REMOVED  
FROM ONE  
OF THE  
WOUNDED.



AN  
AMPULE  
...?



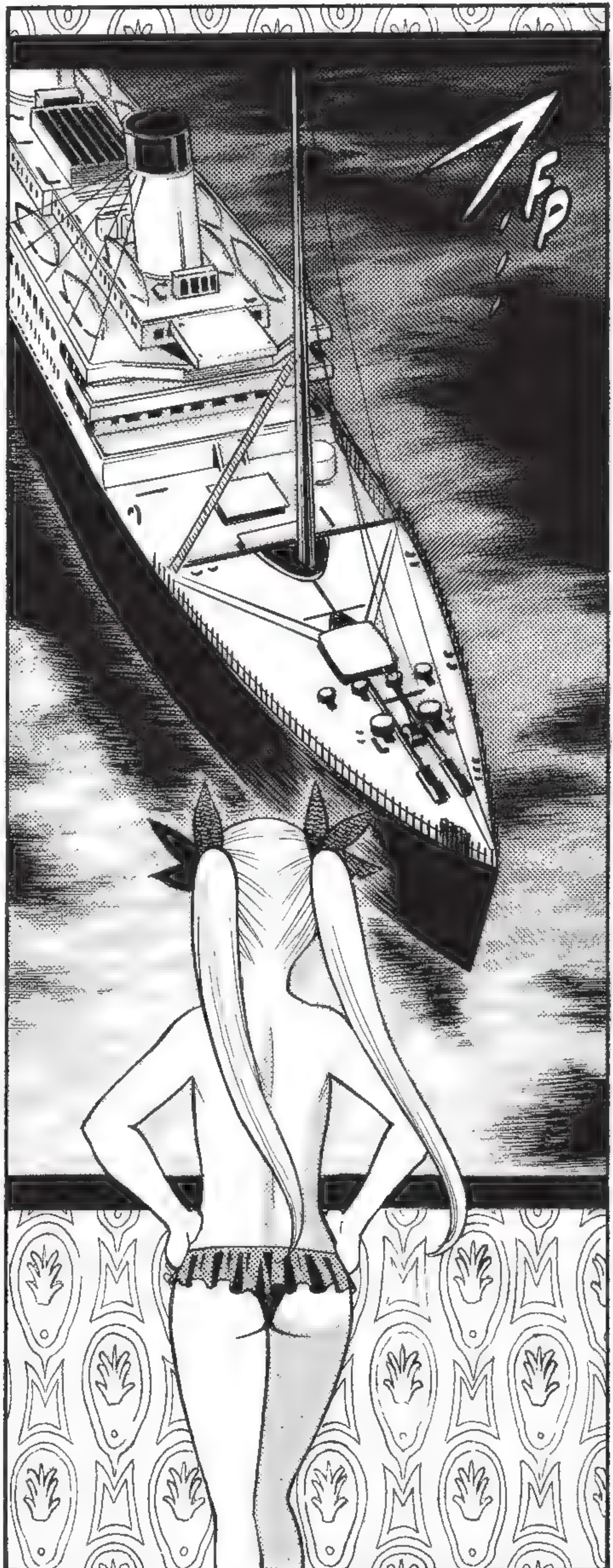
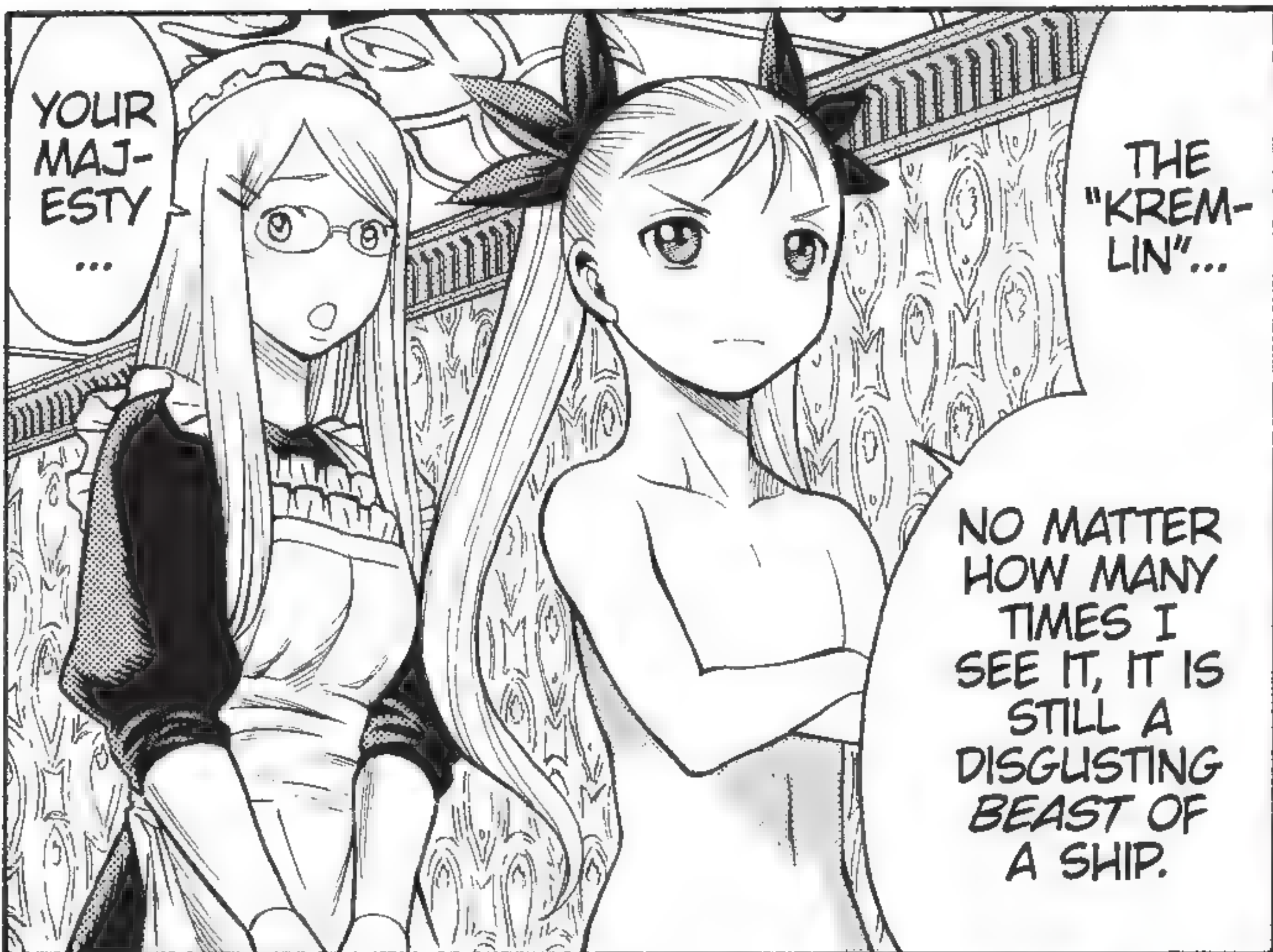
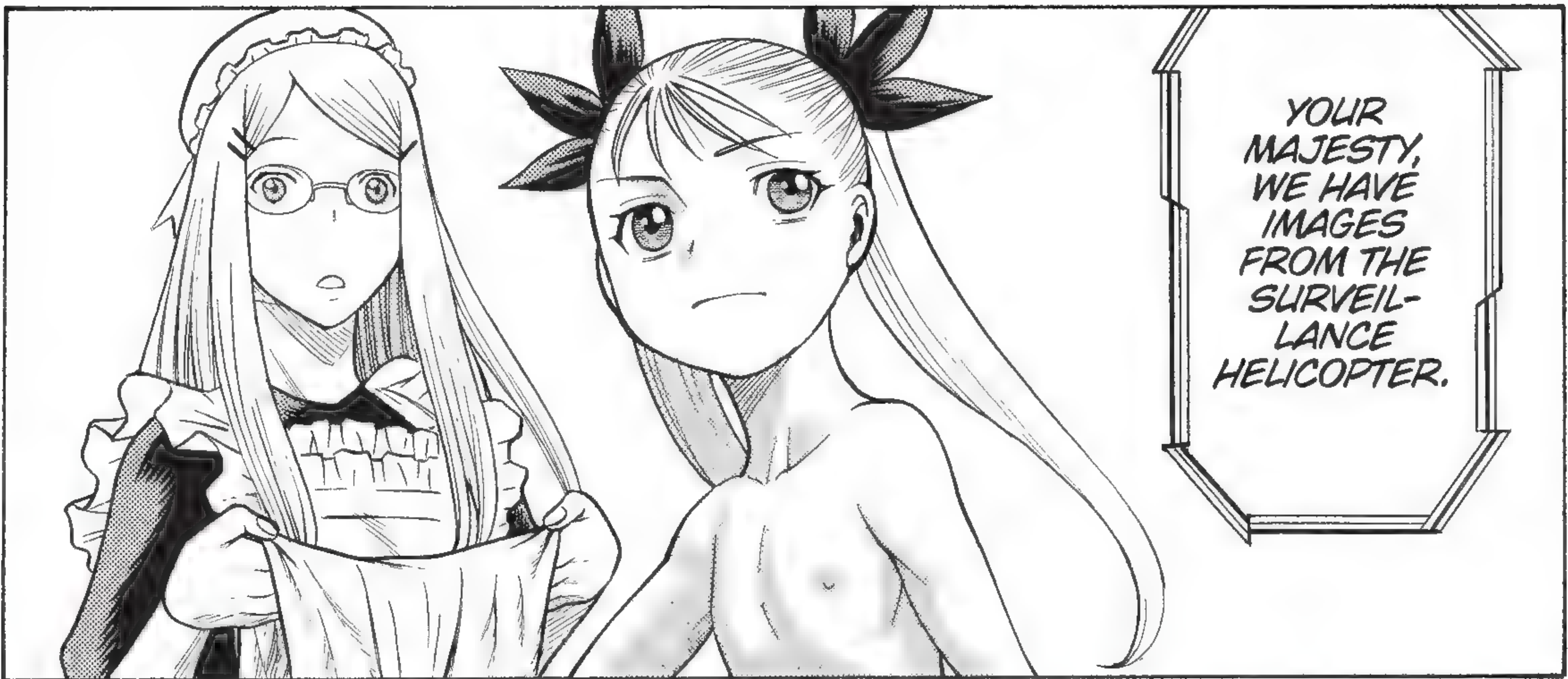
WHAT  
THE  
HELL  
IS  
THIS  
...?

THAT'S  
HARDLY  
A SLUG.  
IT  
LOOKS  
MORE  
LIKE...

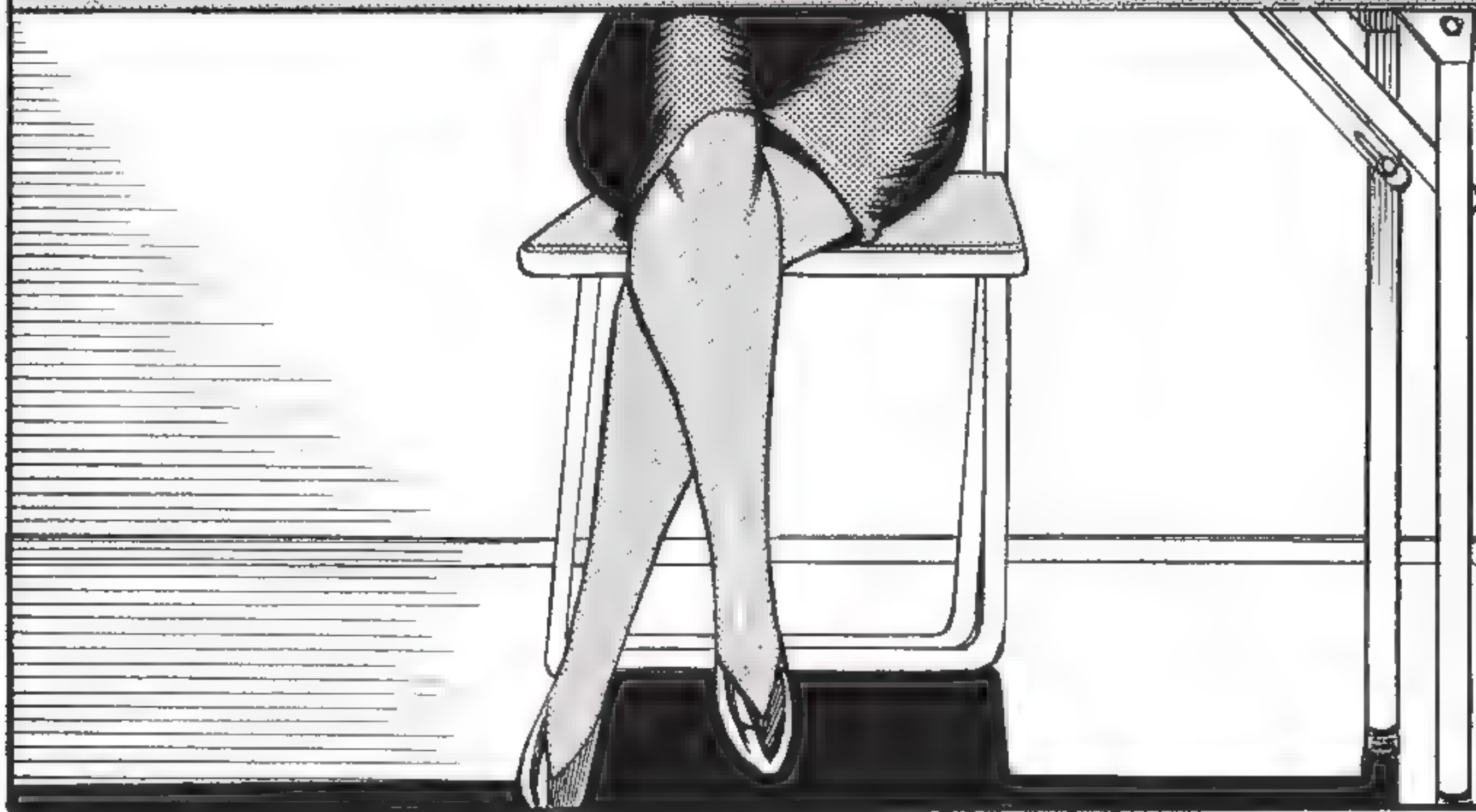
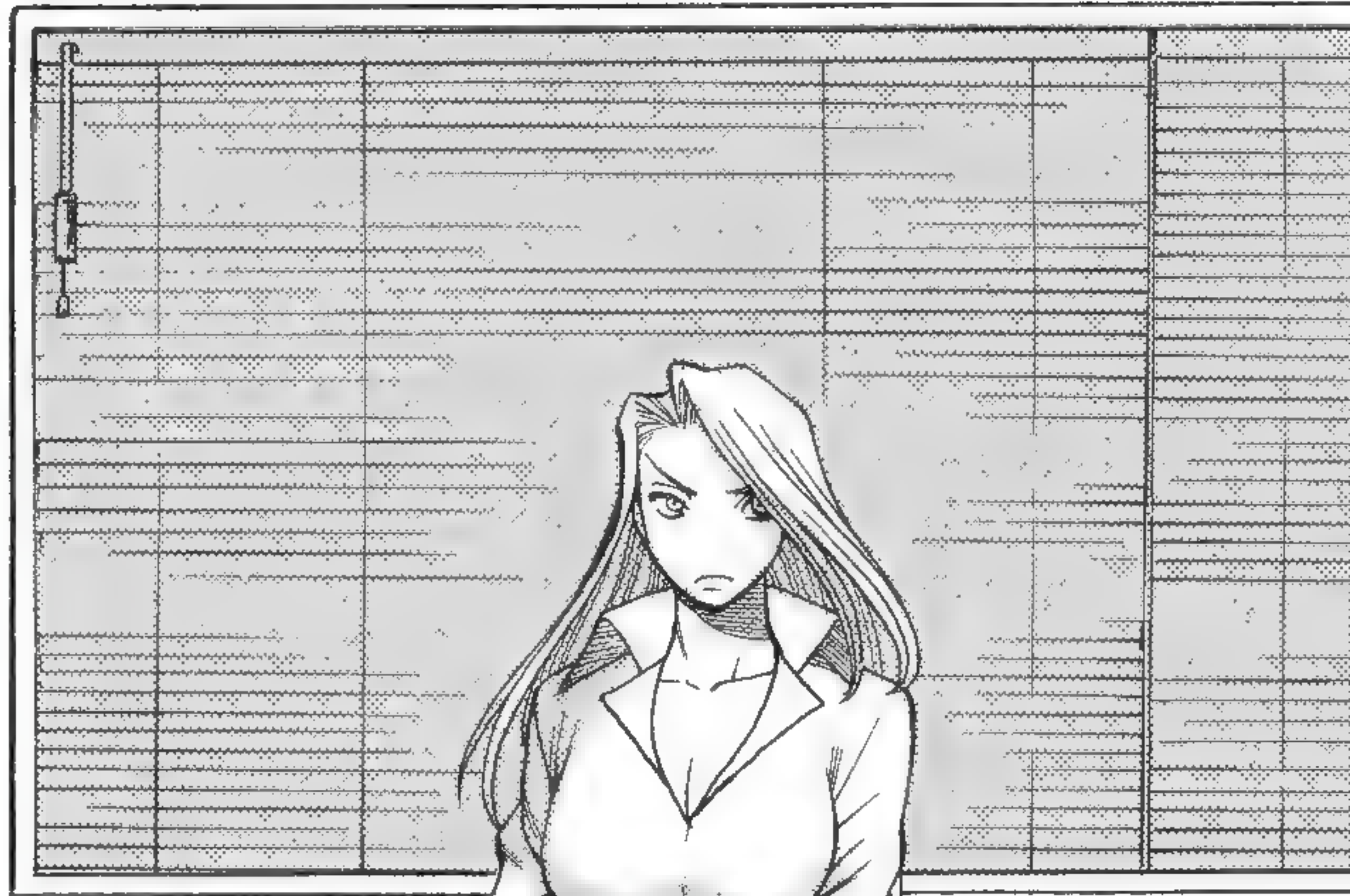
















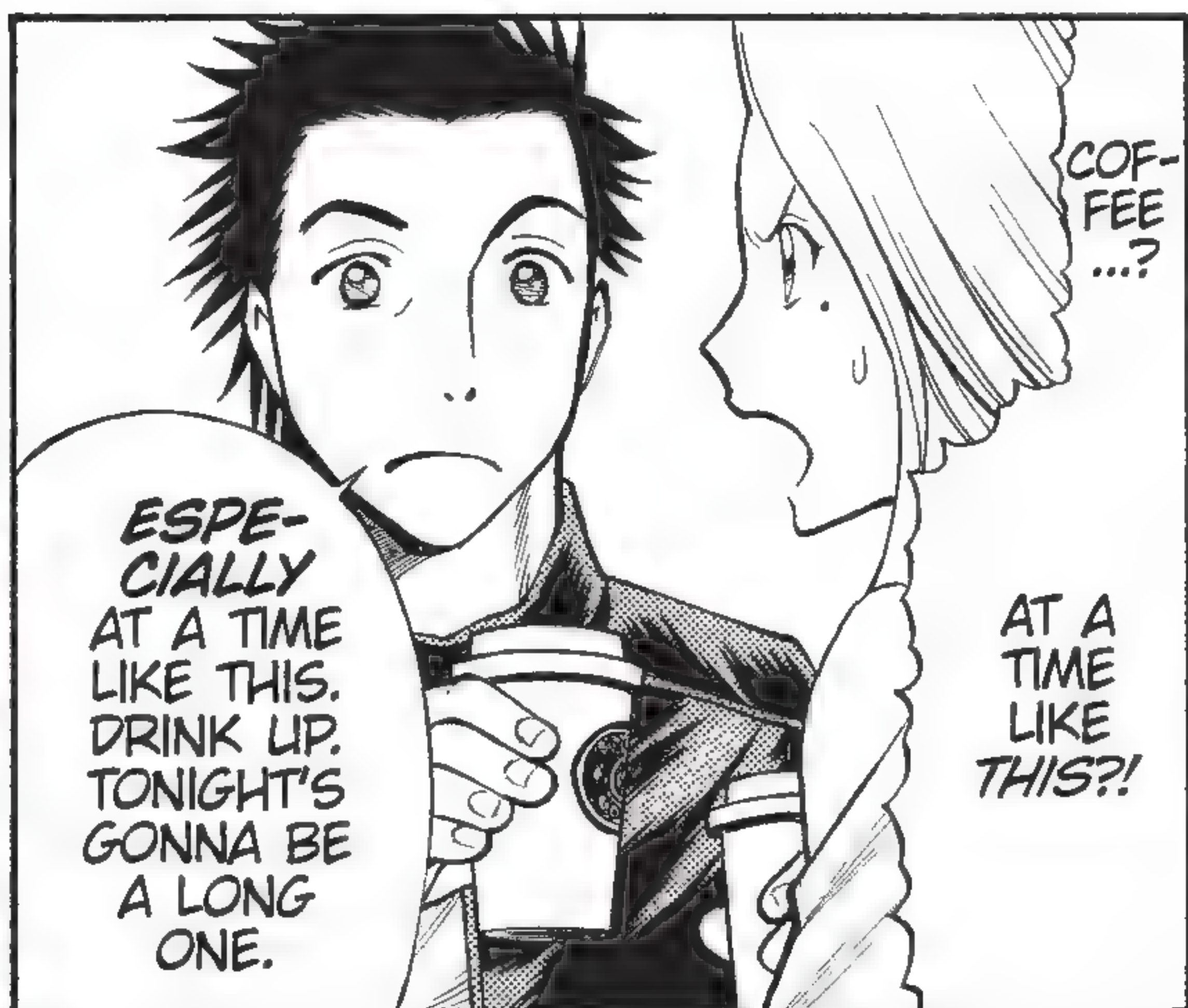
THEY'RE STILL JUST TESTING THE WATERS.

IVANOVIC IS WHAT'S HAPPENING. GOON SQUAD OF HIS KICKED UP SOME DUST OVER BY THE BAY. NOTHIN' SERIOUS.

KCHIK

YEEP!

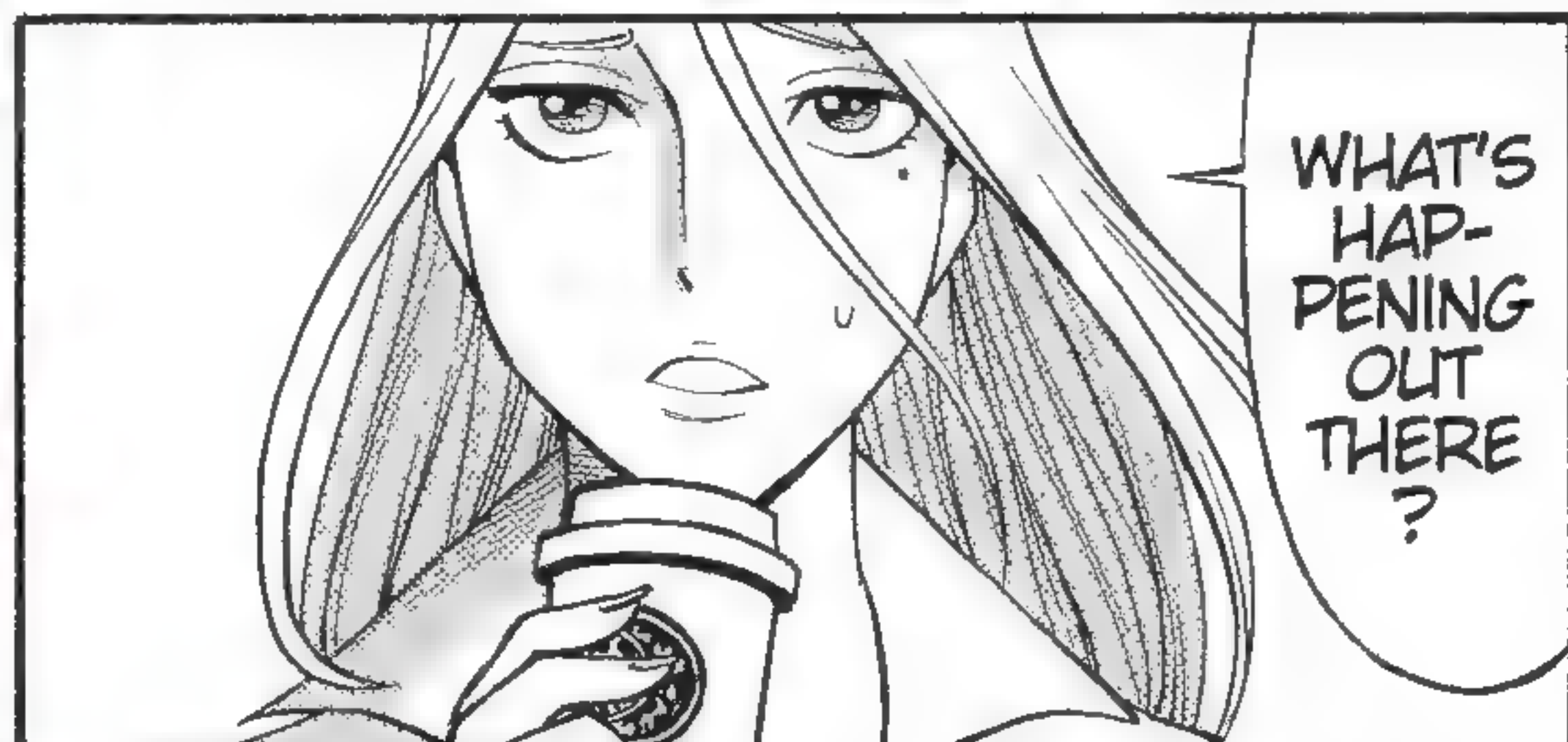
OH, WATCH YOUR STEP.



ESPECIALLY AT A TIME LIKE THIS. DRINK UP. TONIGHT'S GONNA BE A LONG ONE.

COFFEE...?

AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!



WHAT'S HAPPENING OUT THERE?

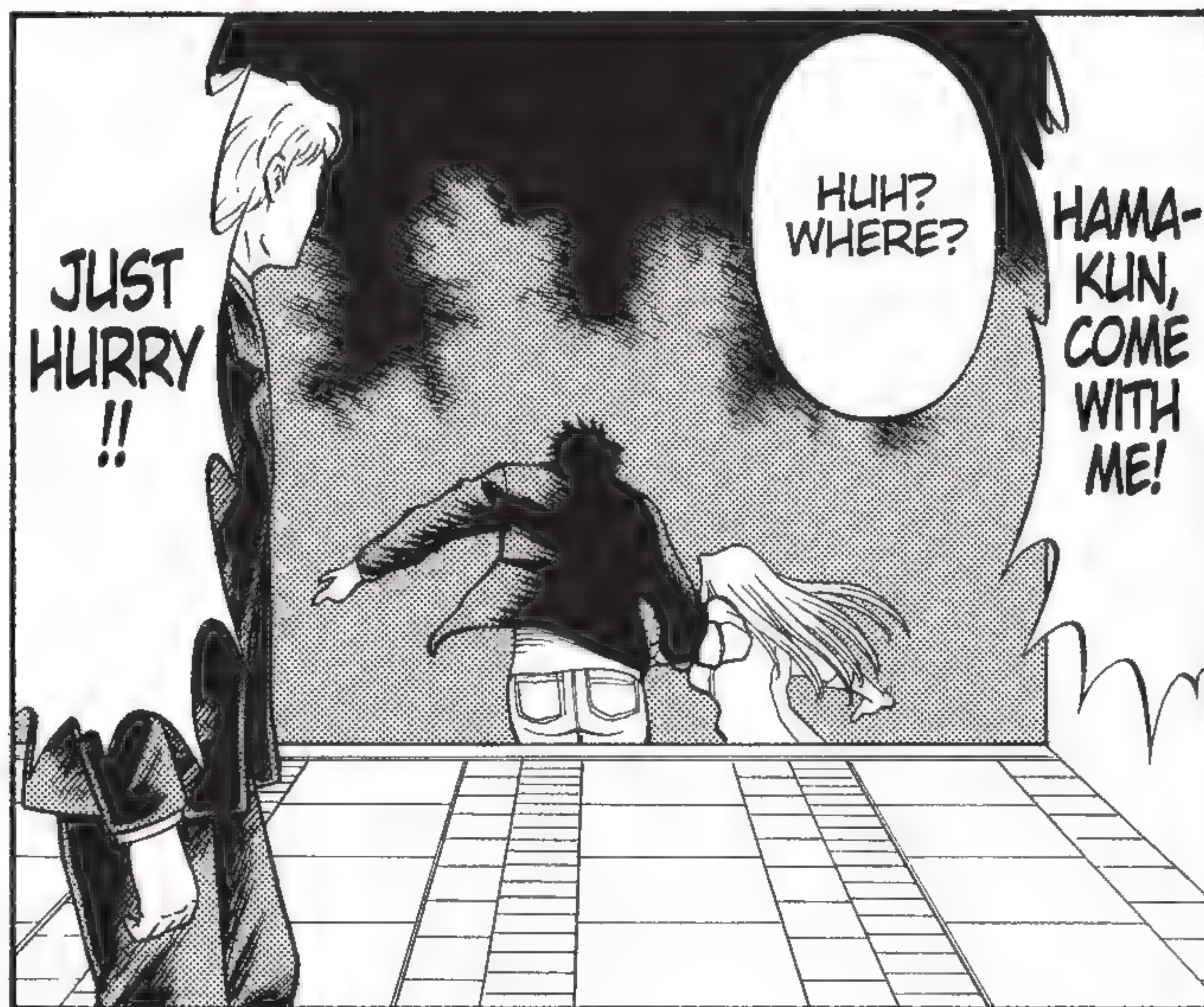


THEY CAN'T EXACTLY LET IVANOVIC GET A LEG UP ON THEM, Y'KNOW?

WHA...?

THAT'S NOT THE BIG ISSUE, THOUGH. THE REAL QUESTION IS WHETHER OR NOT LI AND ROZENMANN ARE REALLY GONNA SIT THIS ONE OUT...

OOPS!



JUST HURRY !!

HUH? WHERE?

HAMAKUN, COME WITH ME!



NO... THEY AREN'T GOING TO SIT THIS ONE OUT AT ALL...





RIOT  
DETECTED  
AT THE  
GEO  
FRONTIER!  
I  
REPEAT...

EMER-  
GENCY  
SITUATION  
AT THE  
GEO  
FRONTIER  
!!!





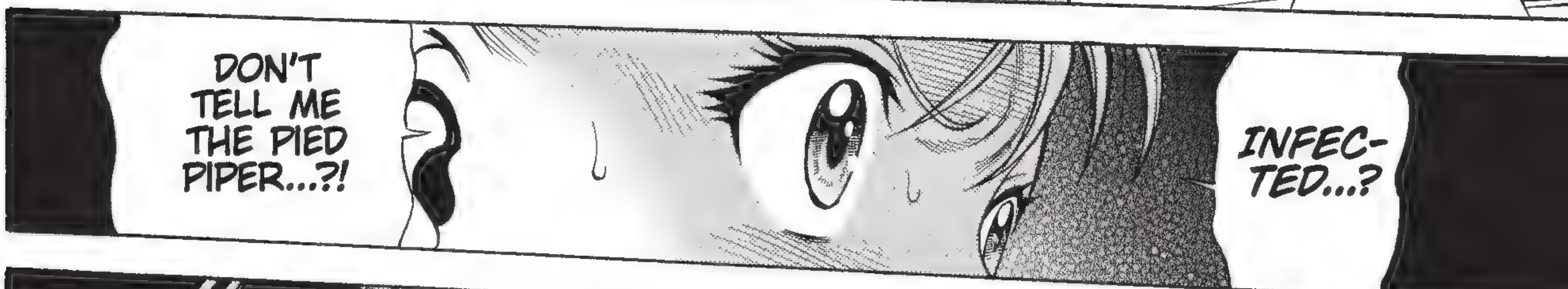
THEY WERE  
HOLLOW-  
POINTS  
WITH FLUID  
IN THE TIPS.  
ANYONE  
SHOT WITH  
THEM WAS  
INFECTED  
WITH THE  
CONTENTS!!

BE-  
CAUSE  
OF THE  
BULLETS  
THOSE  
SOLDIERS  
WERE  
USING,  
YOUR  
MAJ-  
ESTY!



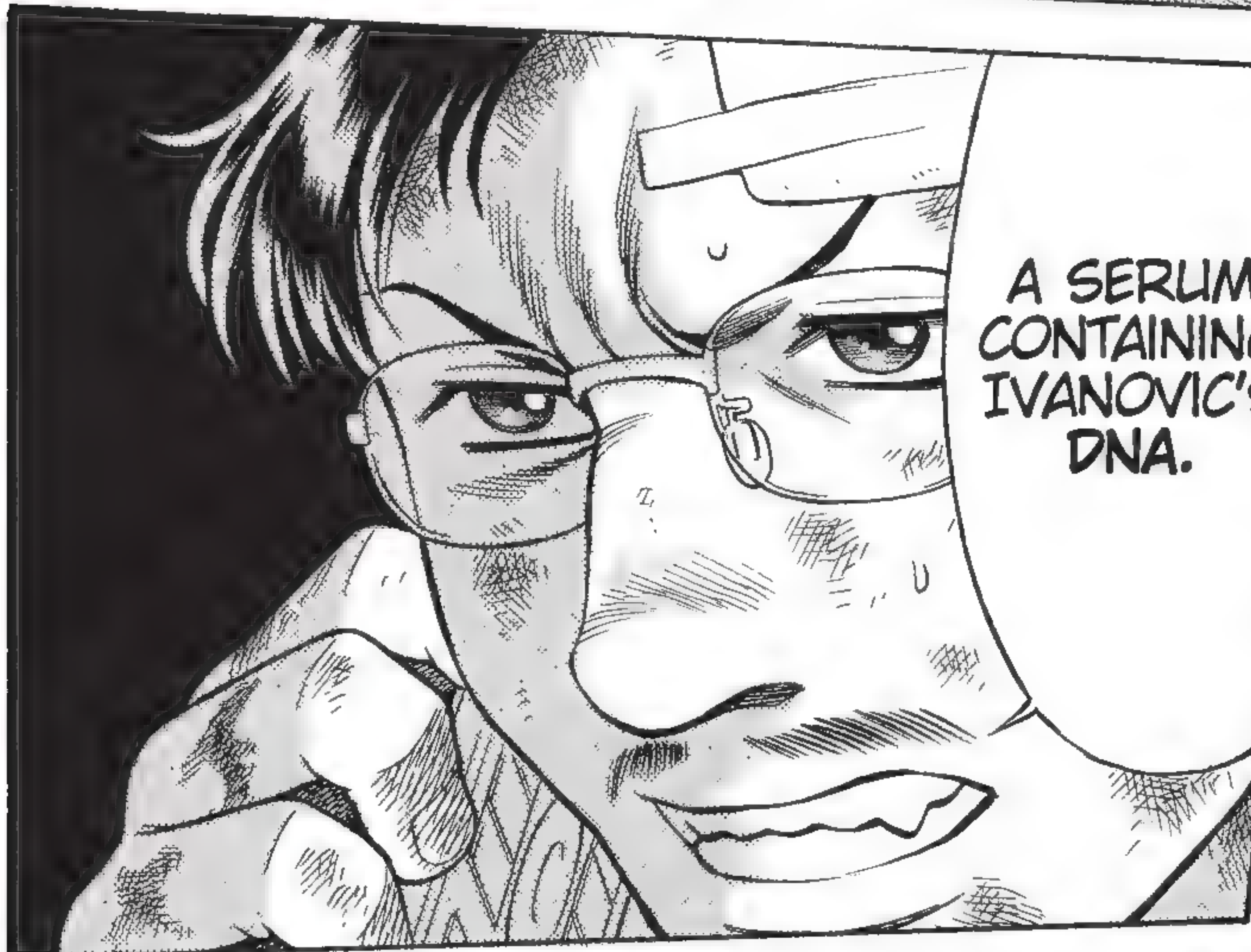
WHY  
?!

WHAT?!  
MY  
SUBJECTS  
ARE  
FIGHTING  
EACH  
OTHER?!



DON'T  
TELL ME  
THE PIED  
PIPER...?!

INFEC-  
TED...?



A SERUM  
CONTAINING  
IVANOVIC'S  
DNA.



IT'S SOME-  
THING FAR  
SIMPLER  
AND FAR  
NASTIER  
...

NO,  
NOTHING  
SO COMPLI-  
CATED...



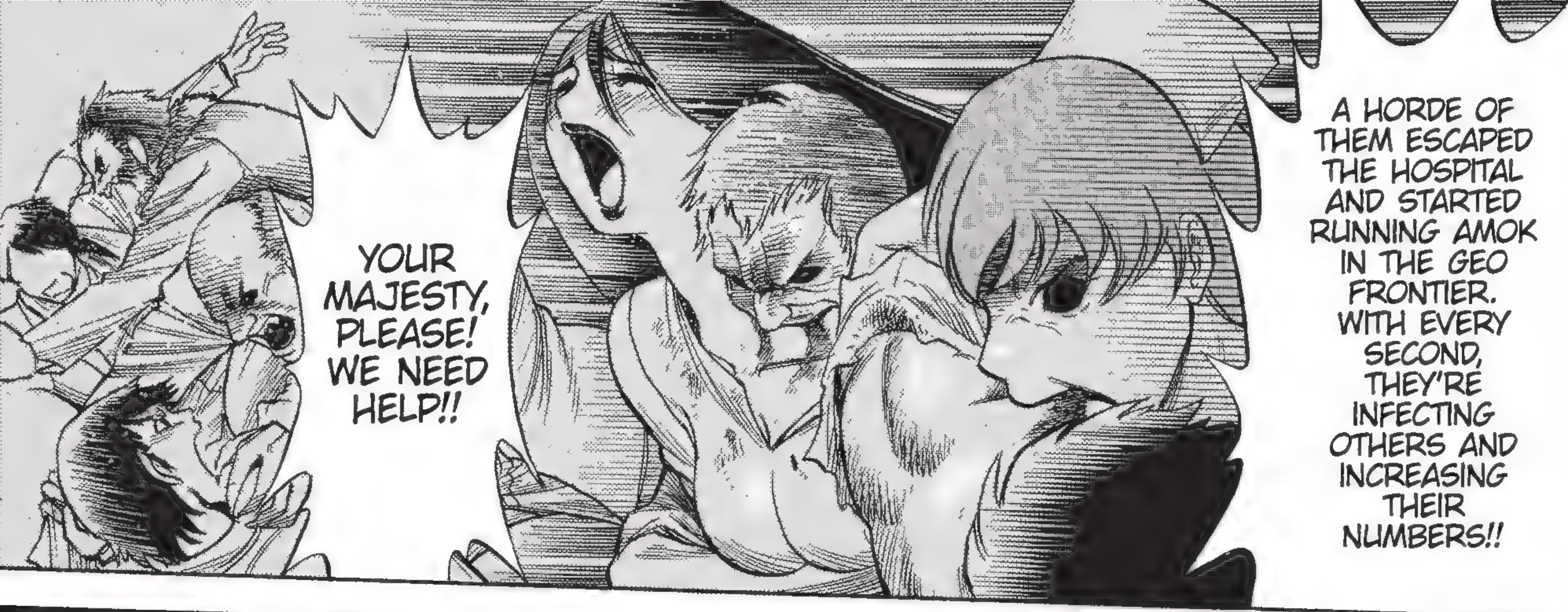
AND NOW  
EVERY  
ONE OF  
THEM HAS  
BEEN  
TURNED TO  
IVANOVIC'S  
SIDE!

EXACTLY.  
SEVERAL  
HUNDRED  
CIVILIANS  
WERE SHOT  
DURING THE  
SCUFFLE  
WITH THOSE  
INVADERS...



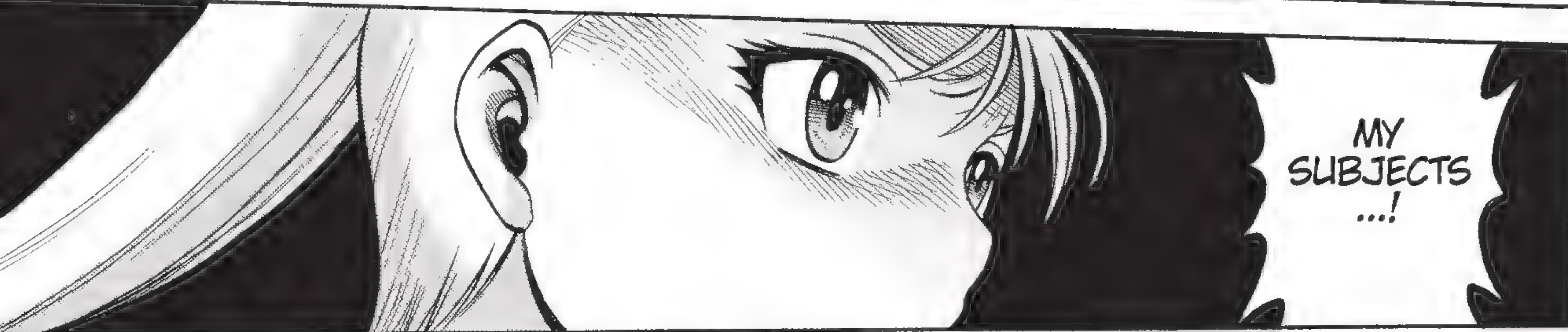
REPRO-  
GRAM-  
MING!!



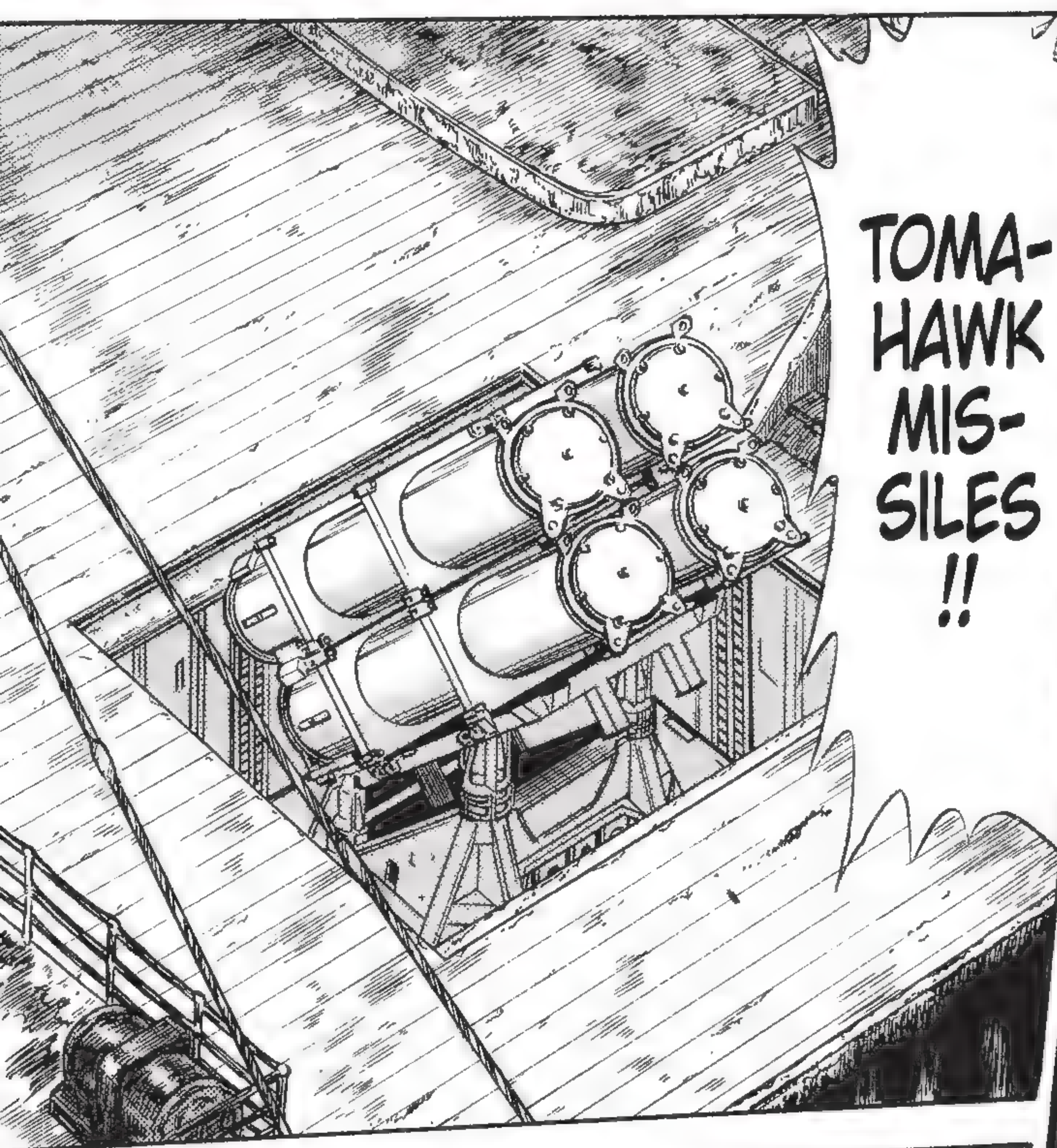


YOUR  
MAJESTY,  
PLEASE!  
WE NEED  
HELP!!

A HORDE OF  
THEM ESCAPED  
THE HOSPITAL  
AND STARTED  
RUNNING AMOK  
IN THE GEO  
FRONTIER.  
WITH EVERY  
SECOND,  
THEY'RE  
INFECTING  
OTHERS AND  
INCREASING  
THEIR  
NUMBERS!!



MY  
SUBJECTS  
...!

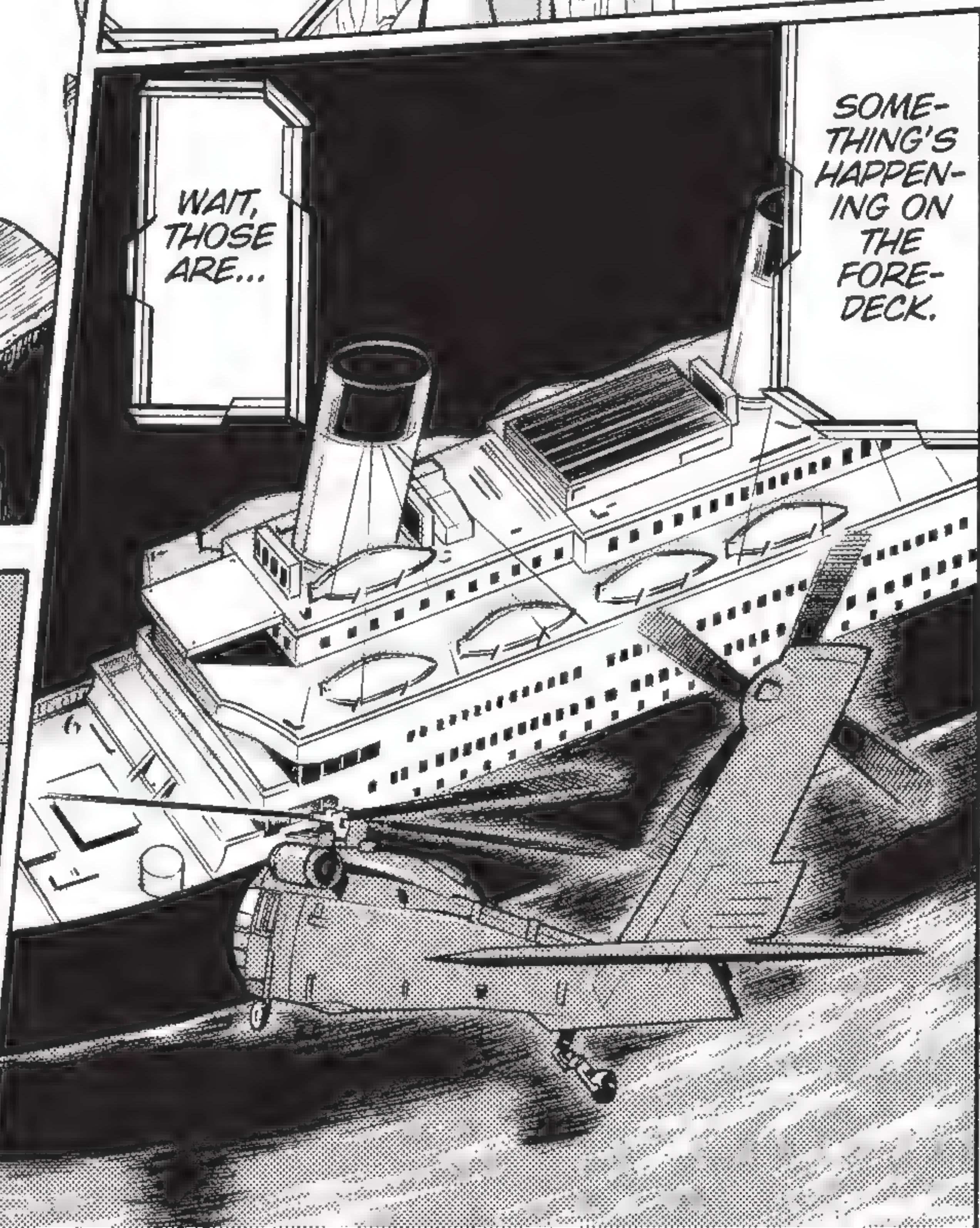
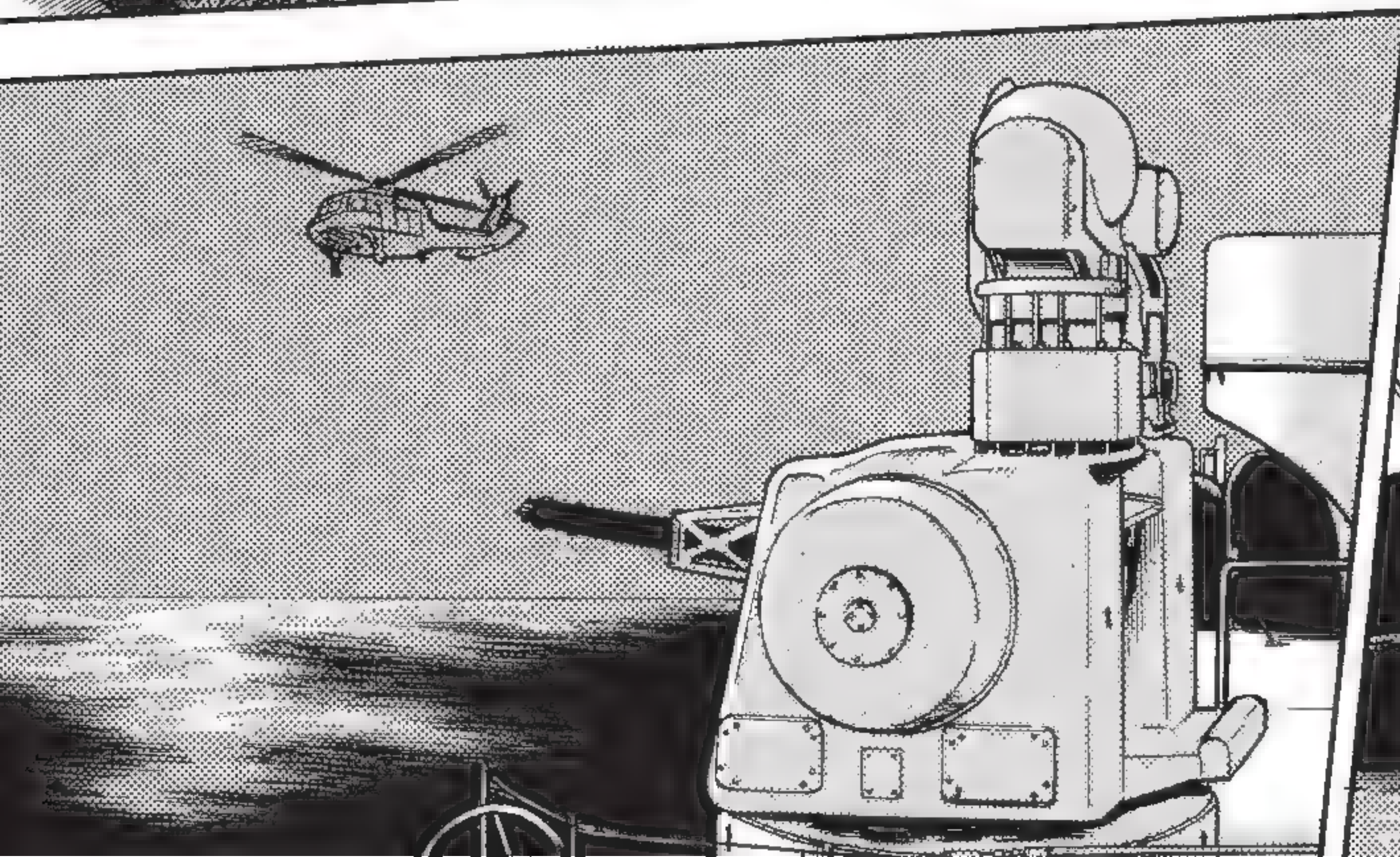


TOMA-  
HAWK  
MIS-  
SILES  
!!



MESSAGE  
FROM THE  
SURVEIL-  
LANCE  
HELICOP-  
TER.

MOVE-  
MENT  
SPOTTED  
ON THE  
"KREMLIN."



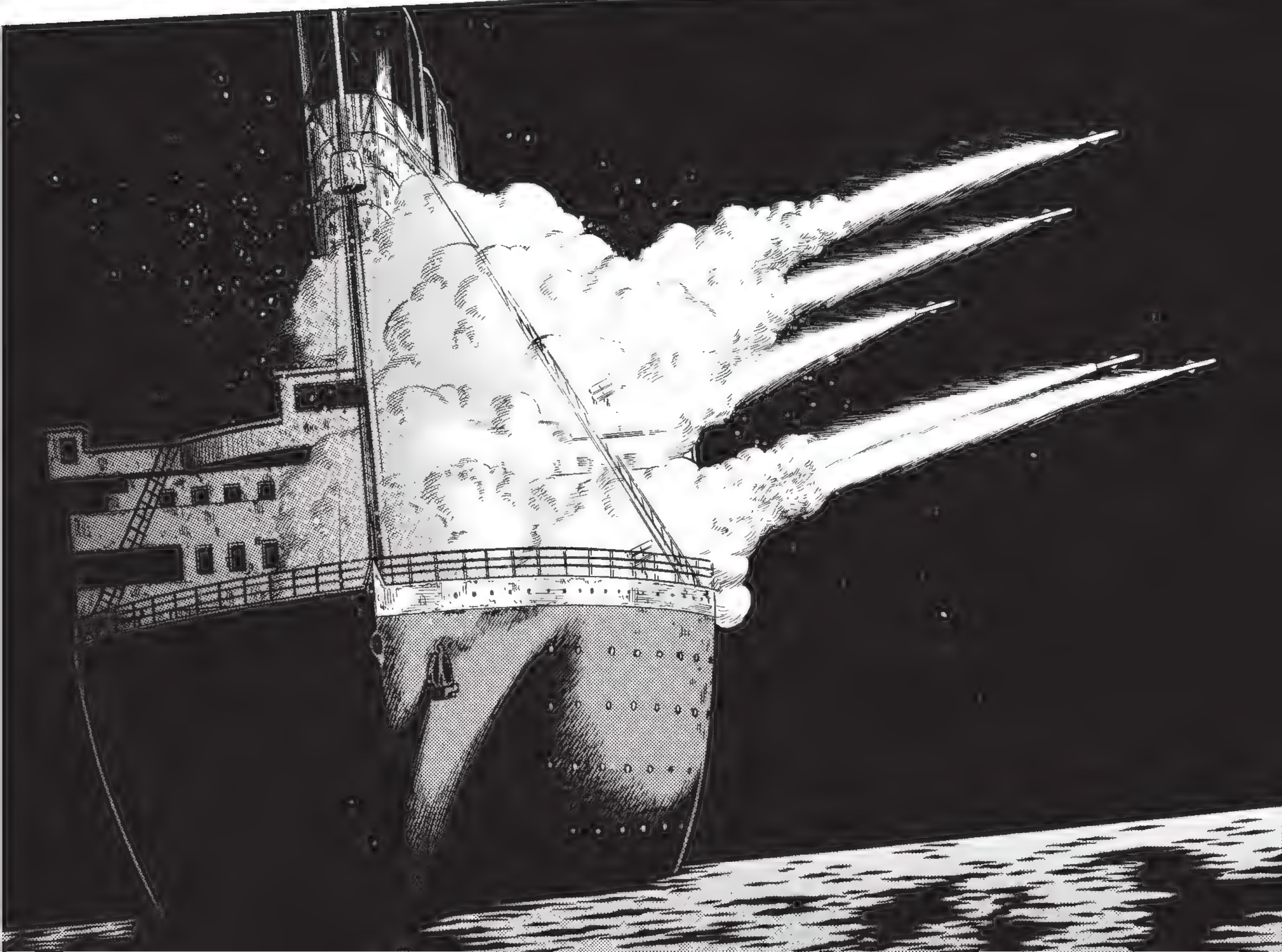
WAIT,  
THOSE  
ARE...

SOME-  
THING'S  
HAPPEN-  
ING ON  
THE  
FORE-  
DECK.

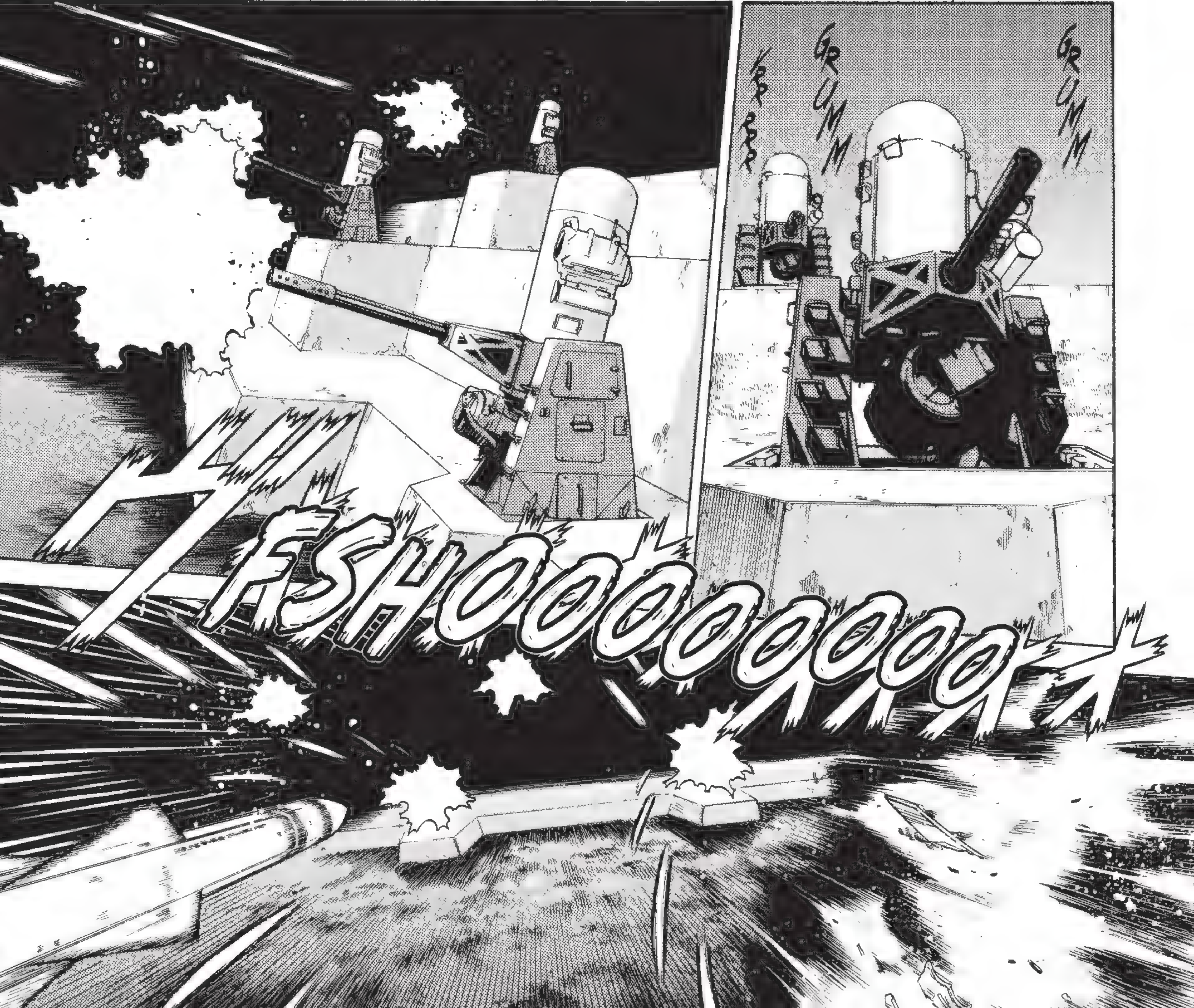




\*CIWS = Close-In Weapon System (pronounced "sea-whiz")



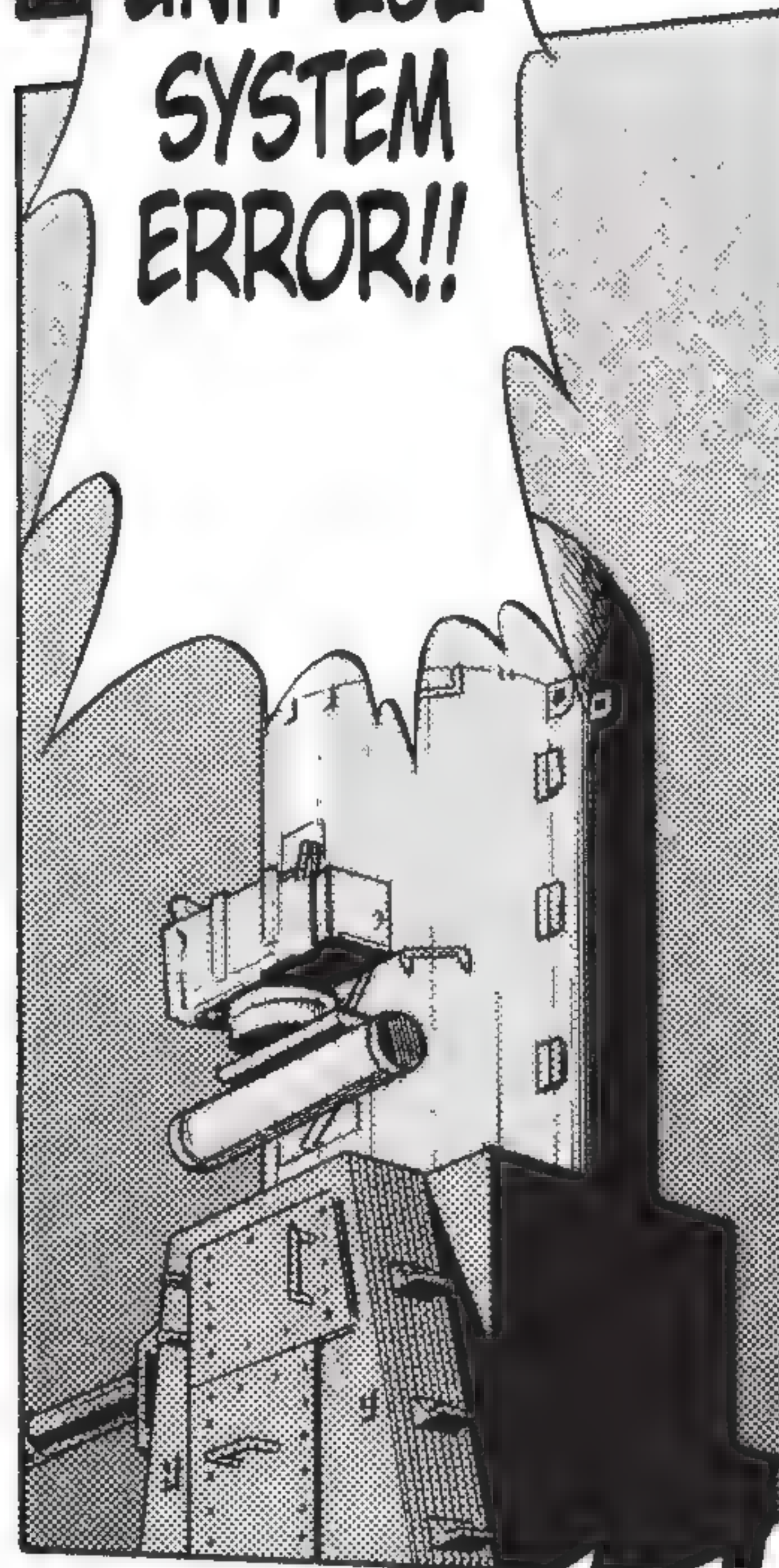








CIWS  
UNIT 262  
SYSTEM  
ERROR!!



NO  
GOOD!  
IT'S NOT  
ACCEPT-  
ING THE  
CONNEC-  
TION!

SWITCH  
TO  
DIRECT  
CON-  
TROL!!

ESS  
N.S. NO.262  
CONTROL  
ONLINE





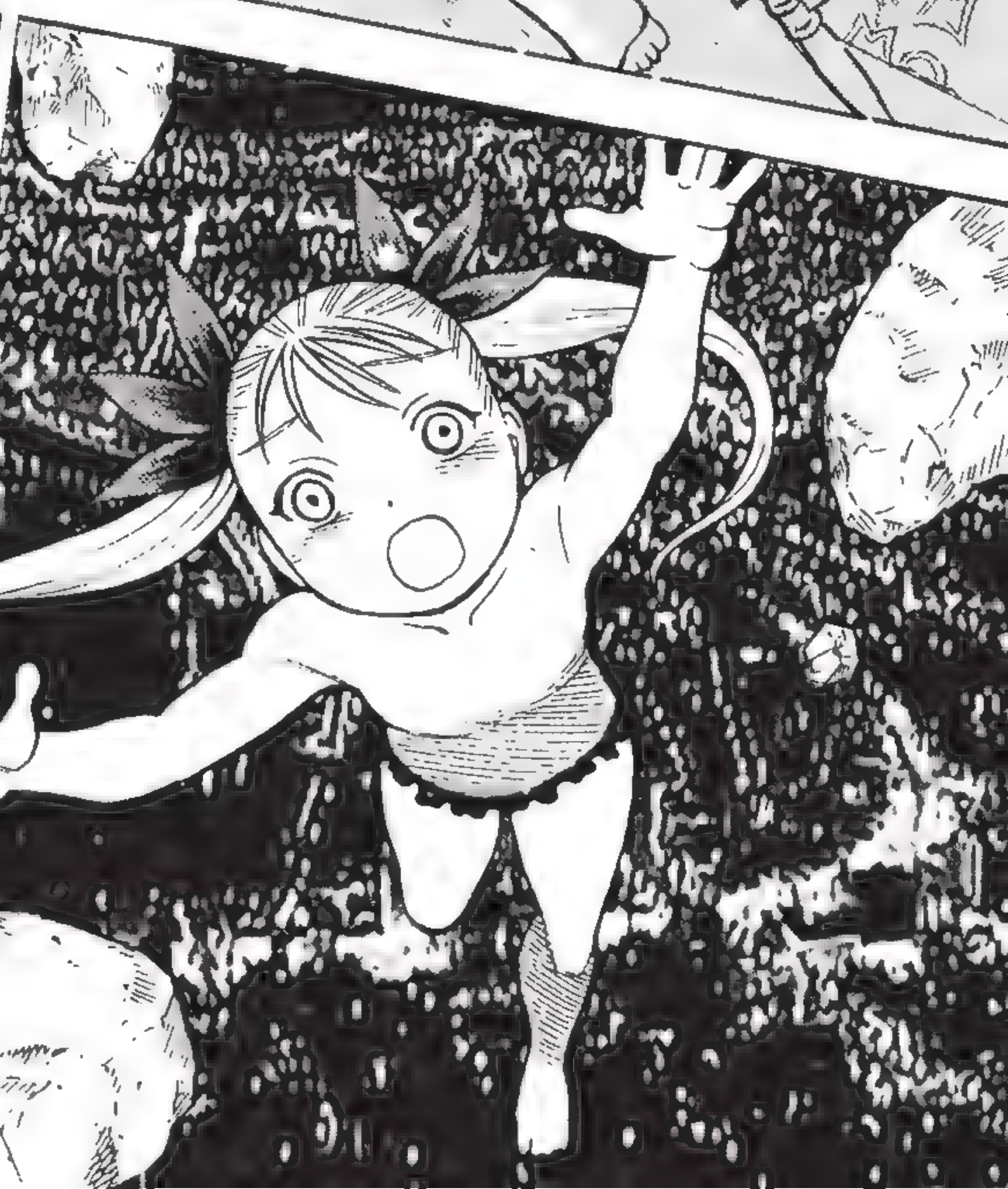
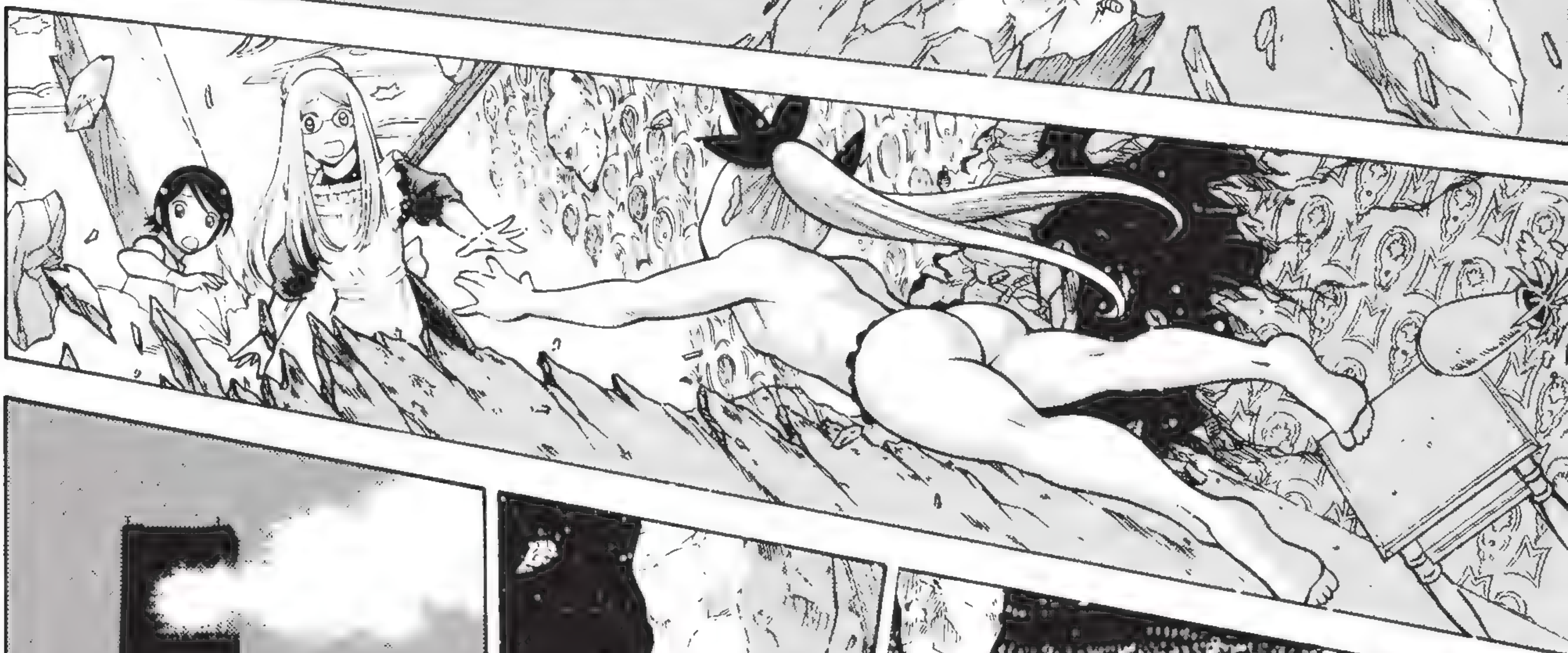
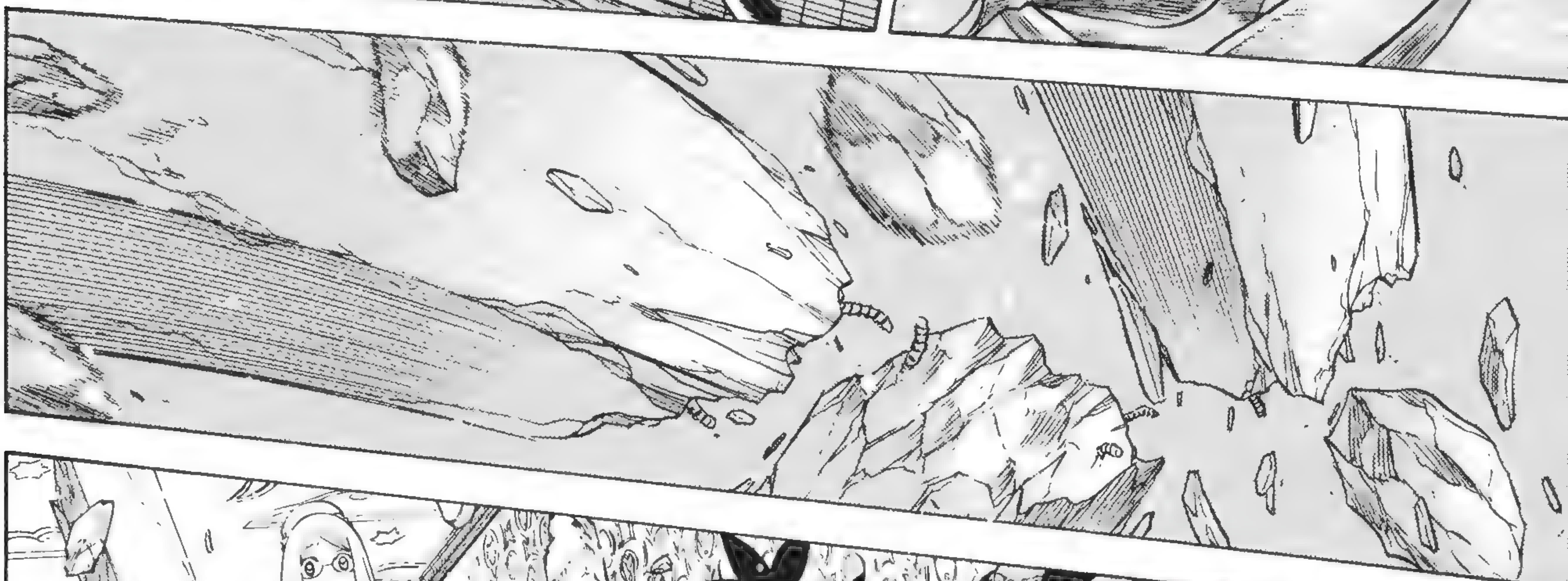
IN-  
COM-  
ING  
DIRECT  
HIT!



EVERY-  
ONE...

BRACE  
FOR  
IMPACT.









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S  
A  
A  
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!!!





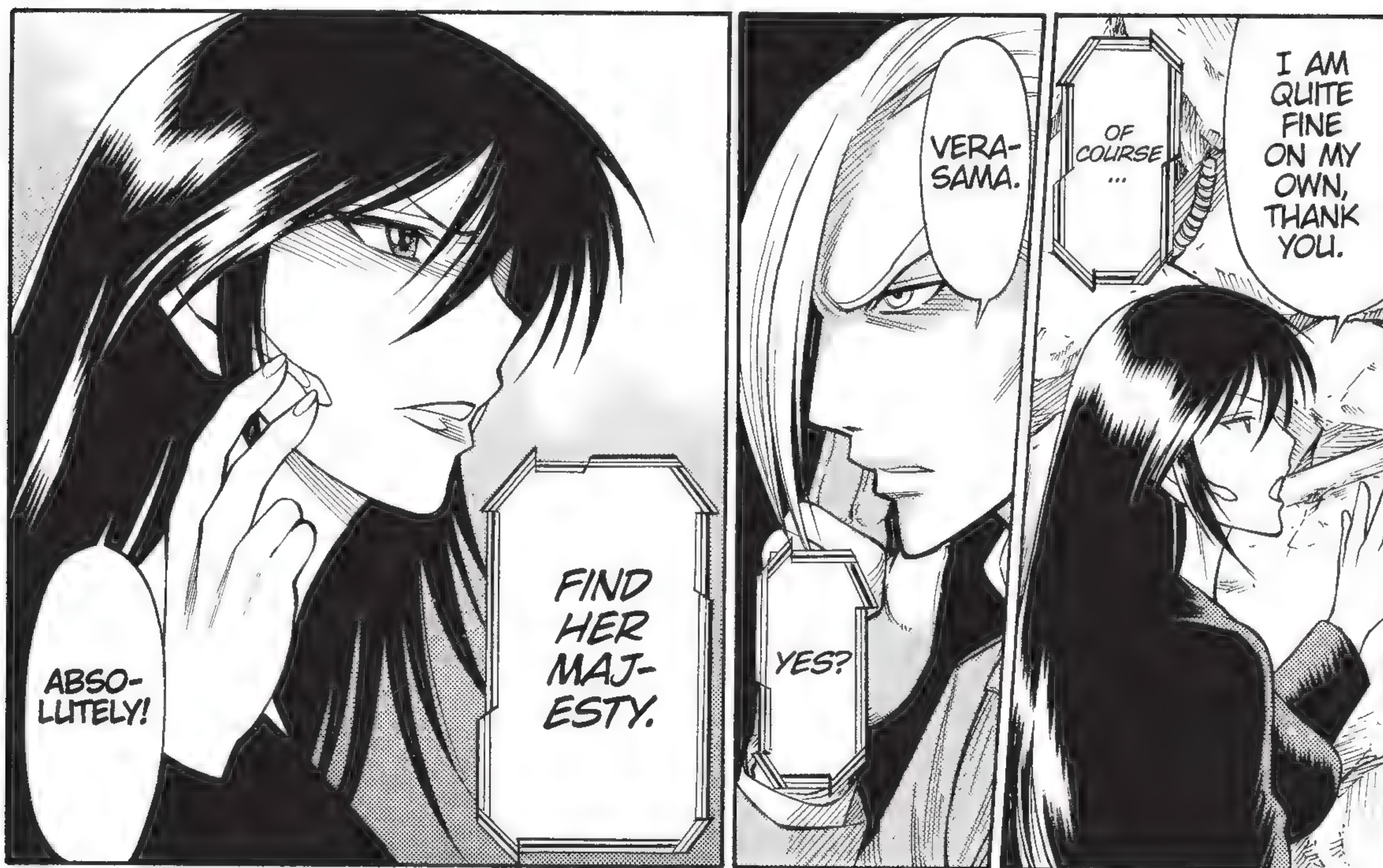
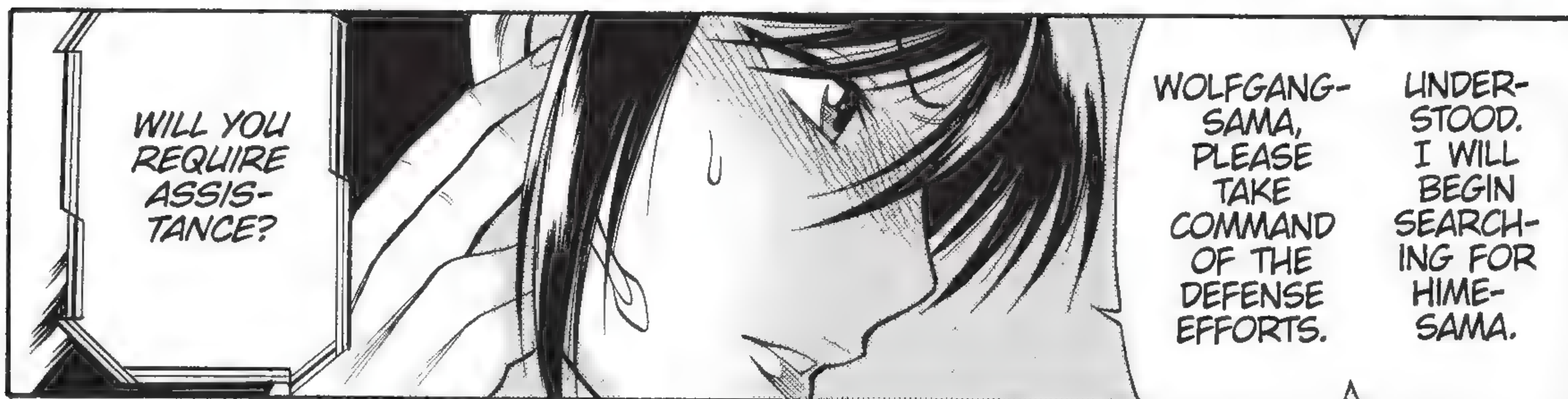
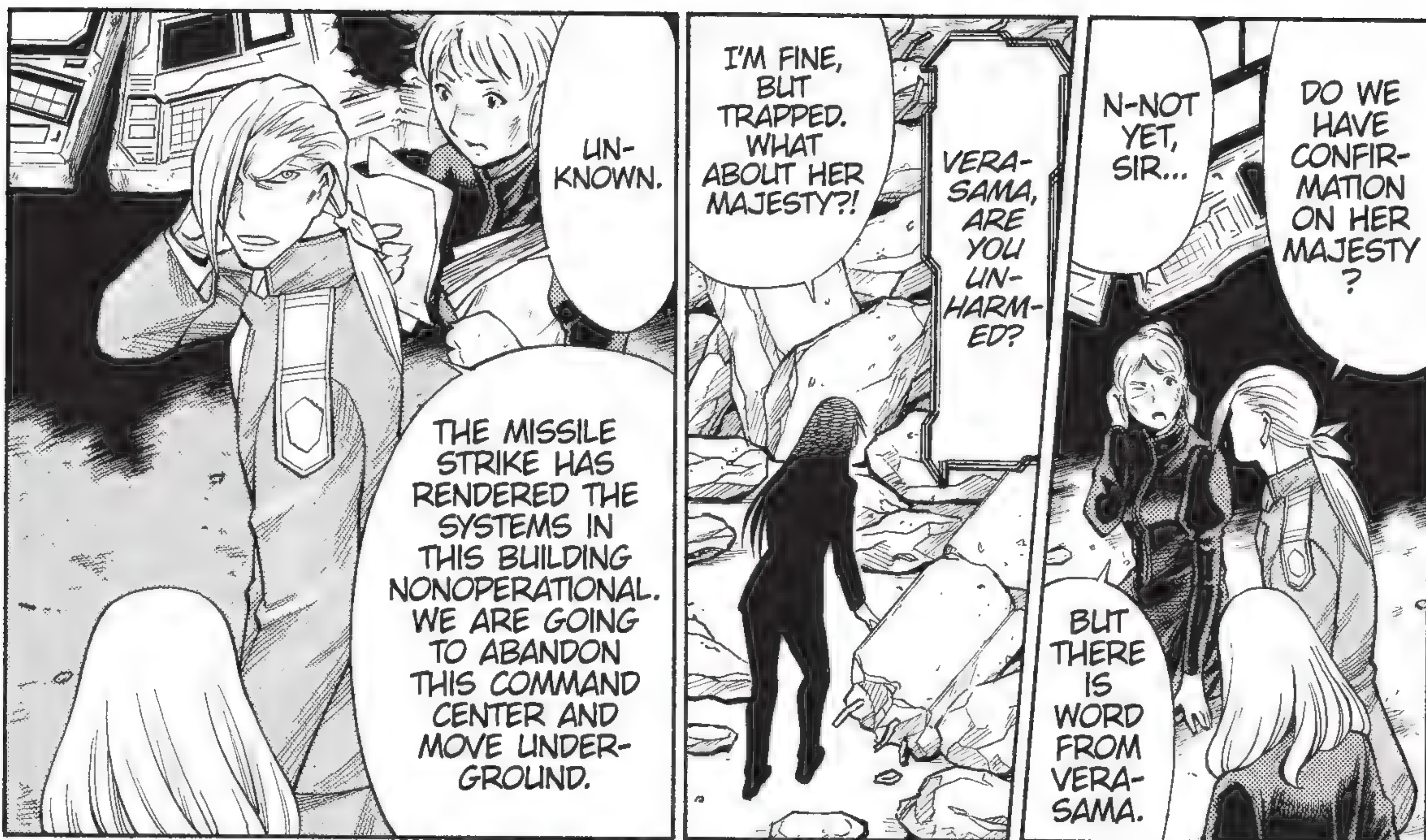






SWITCHING  
TOPSIDE  
DEFENSE  
TO AIR-  
BASED.  
DEPLOY  
ATTACK  
HELICOP-  
TERS.



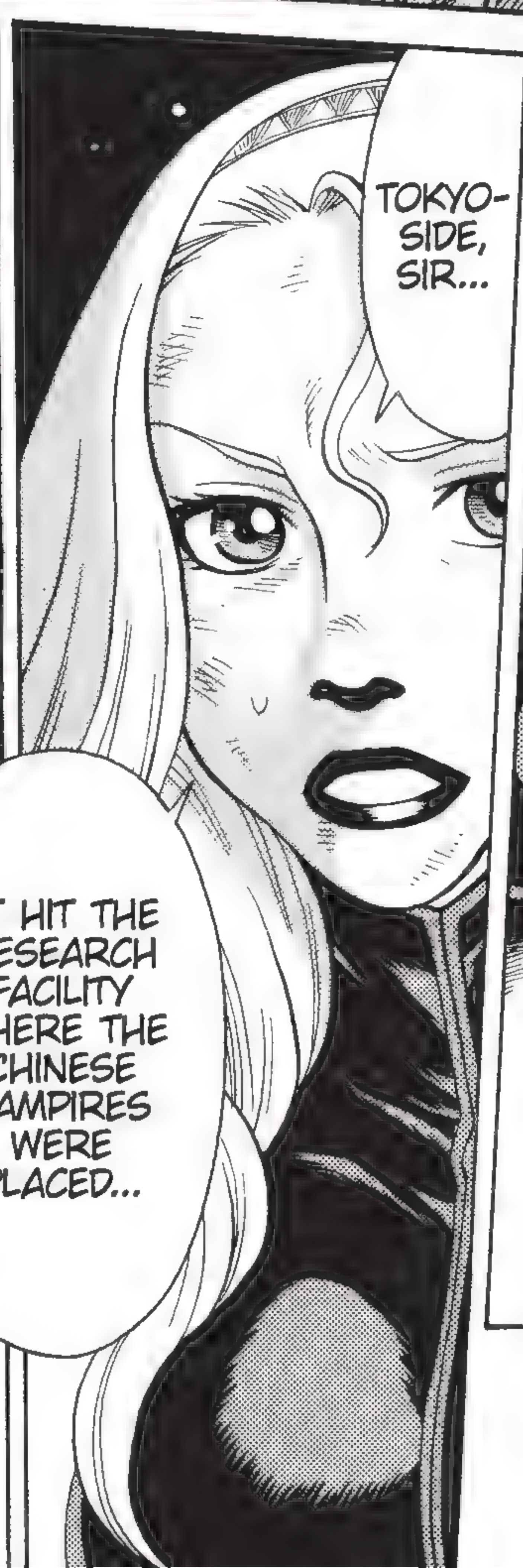






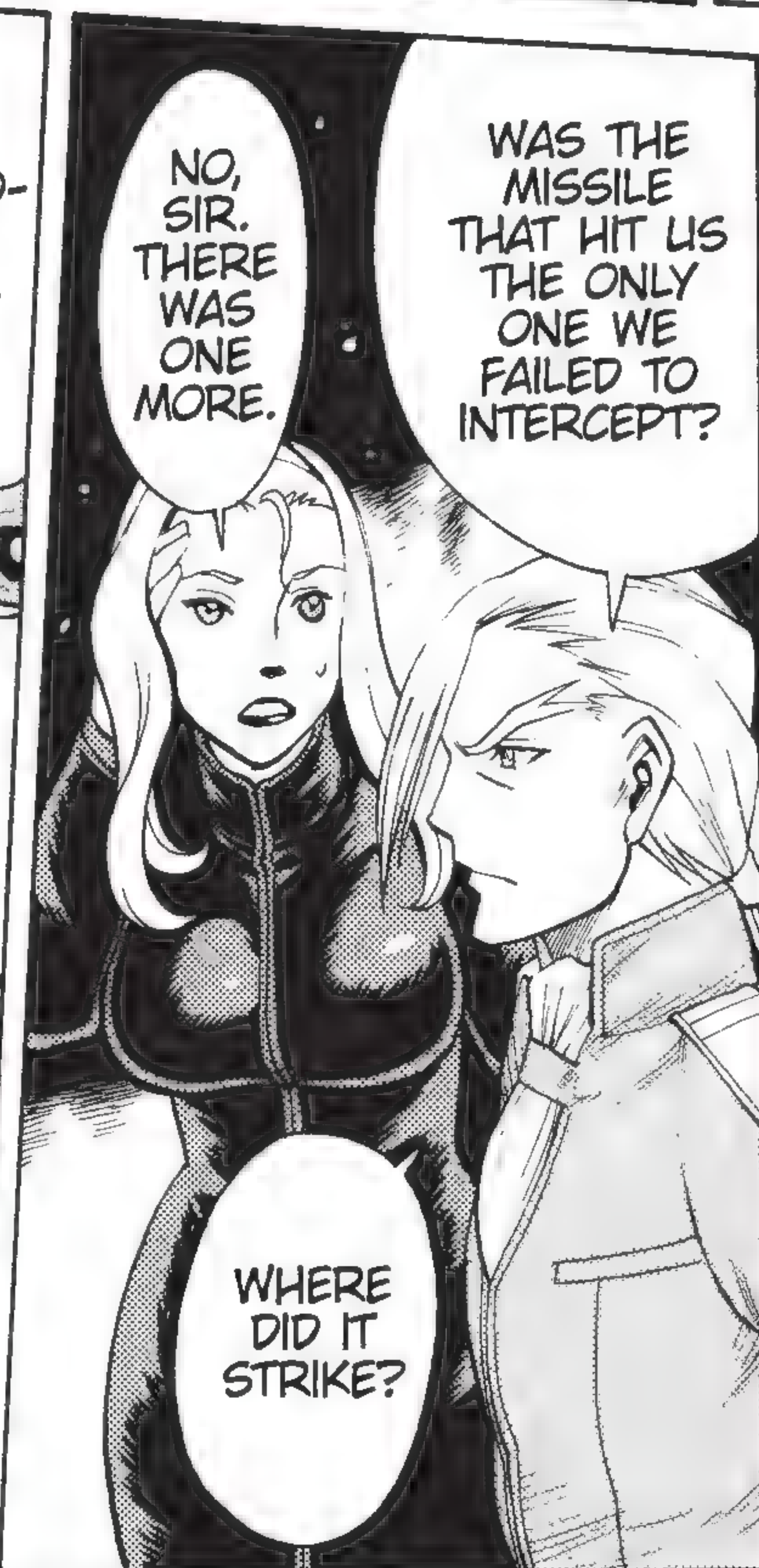
HIME-SAMA...

I'M COMING!



TOKYO-SIDE, SIR...

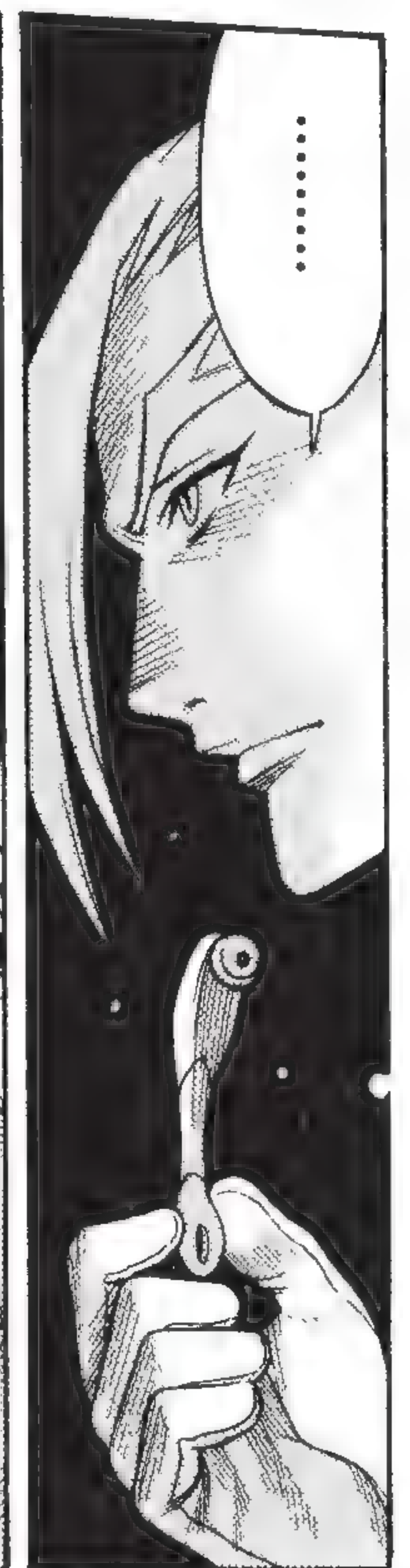
IT HIT THE RESEARCH FACILITY WHERE THE CHINESE VAMPIRES WERE PLACED...



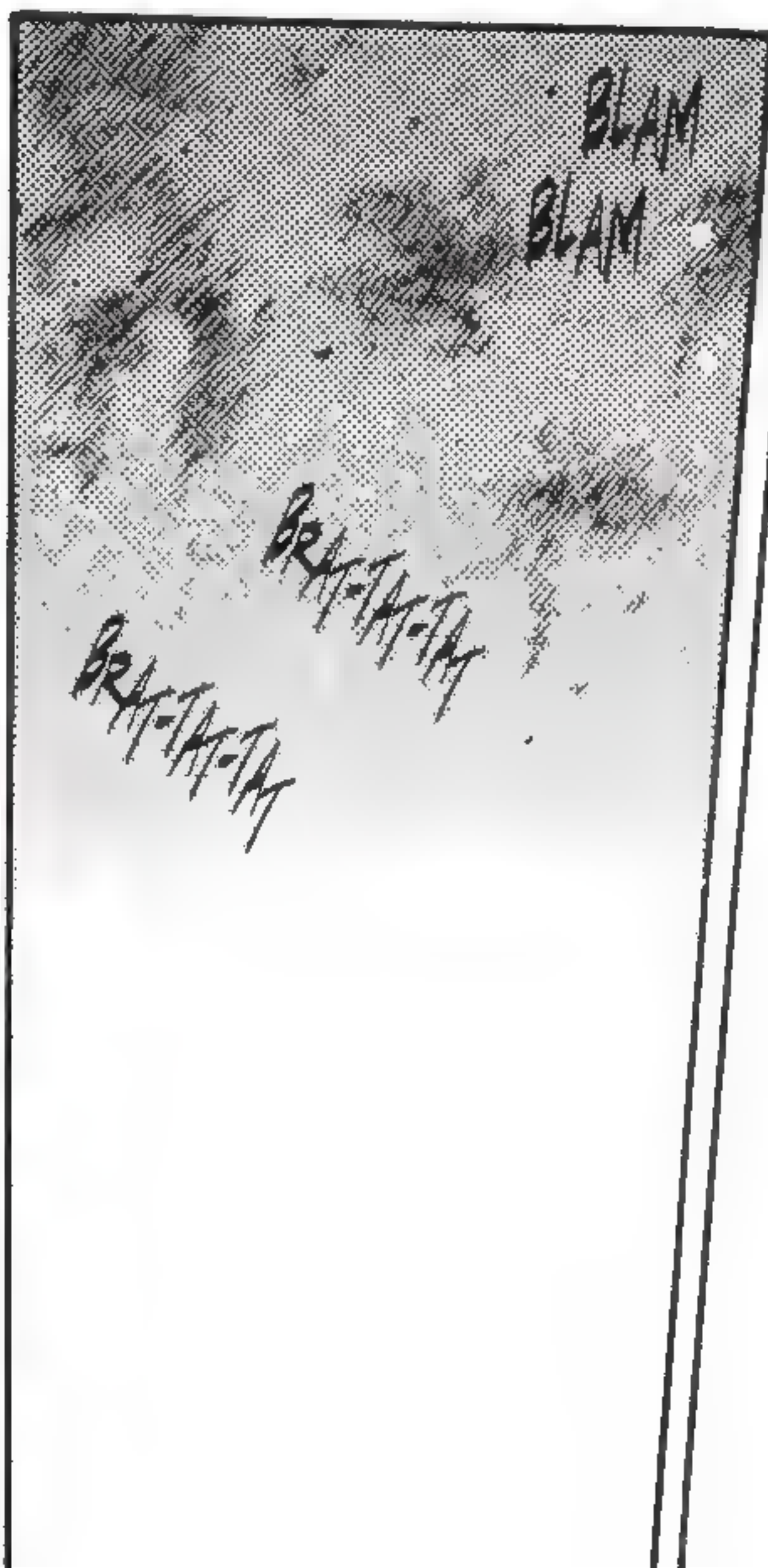
NO, SIR. THERE WAS ONE MORE.

WAS THE MISSILE THAT HIT US THE ONLY ONE WE FAILED TO INTERCEPT?

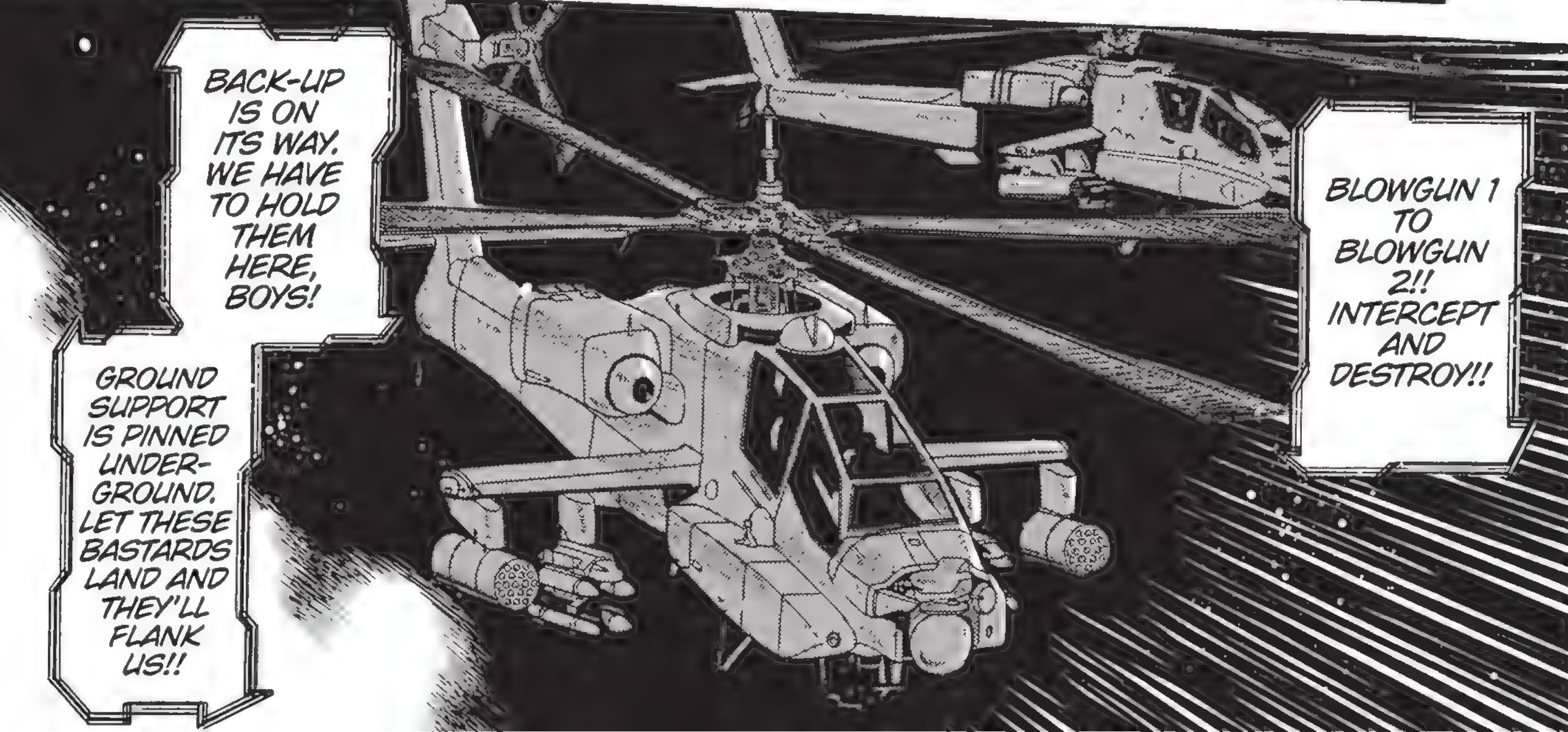
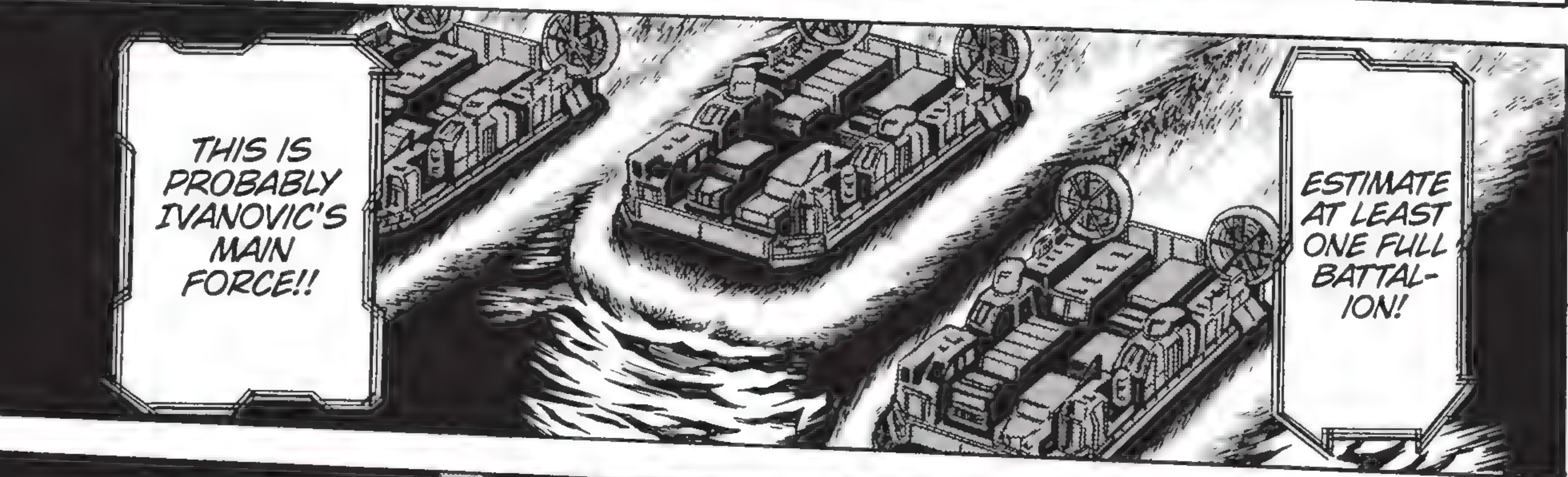
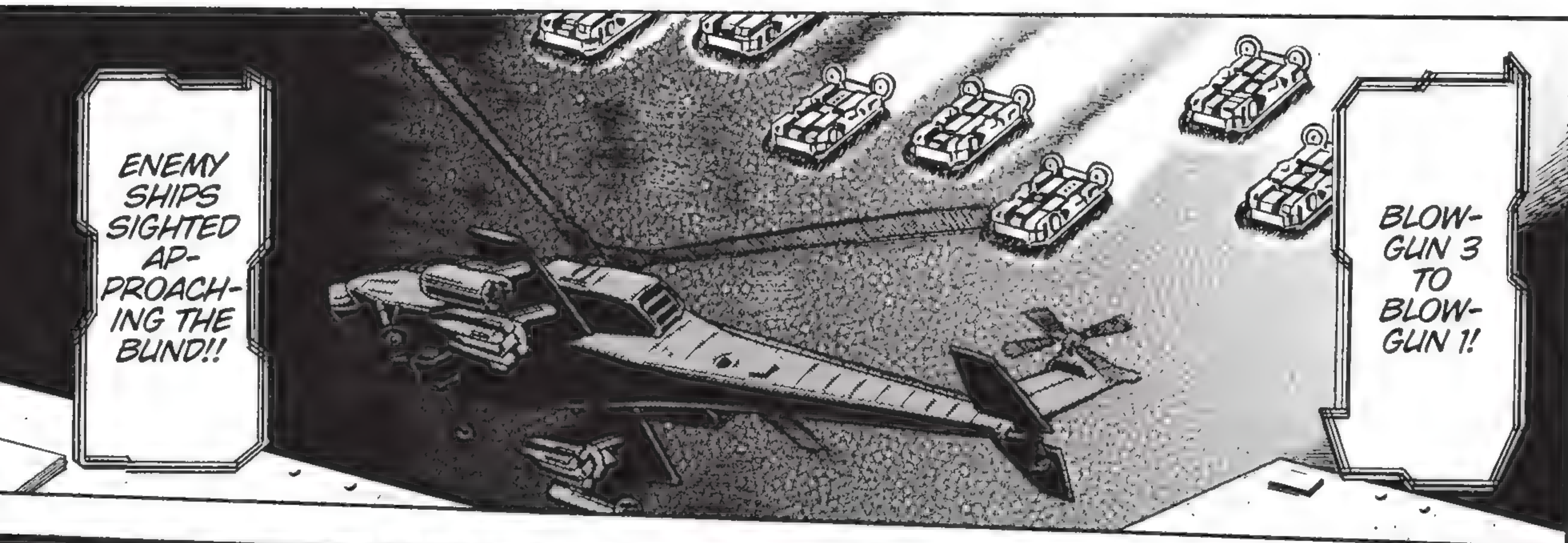
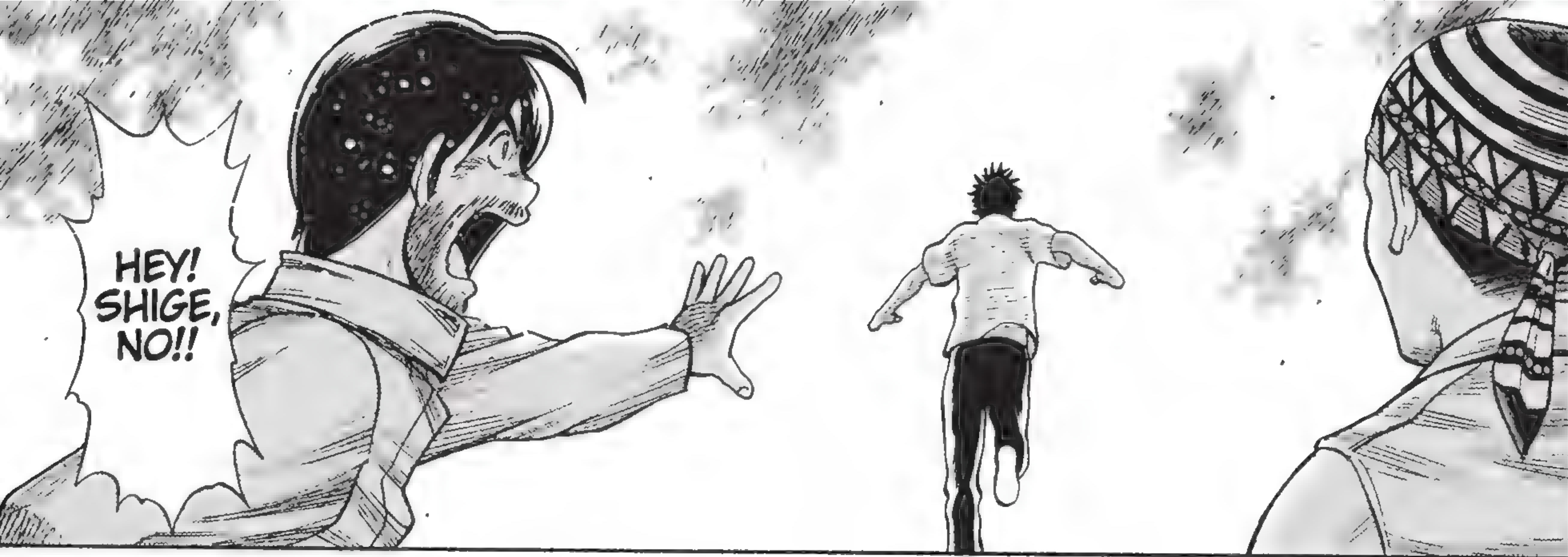
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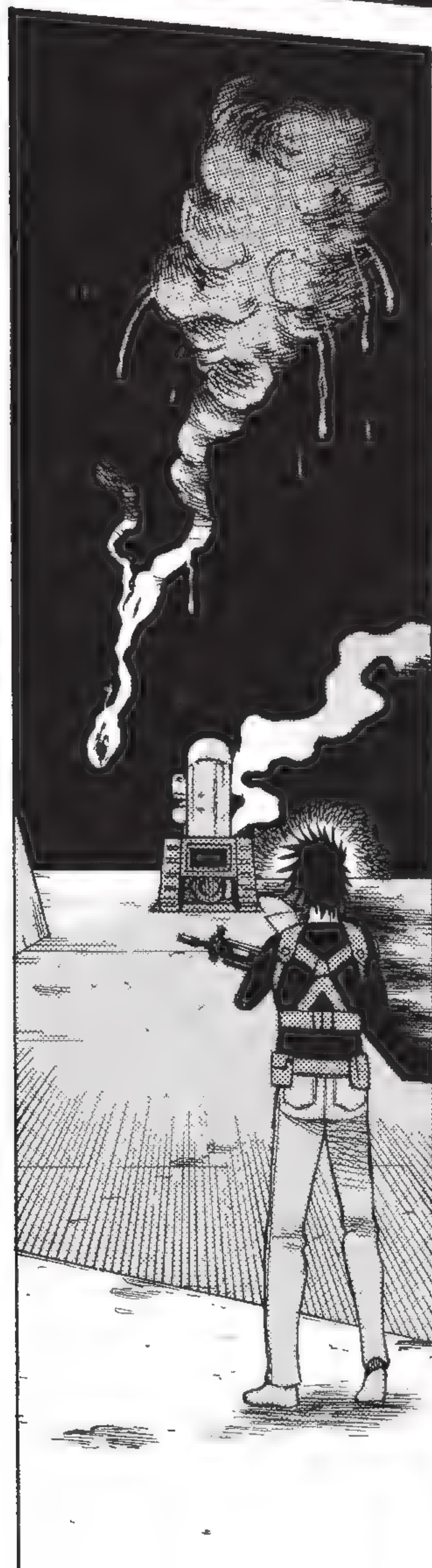
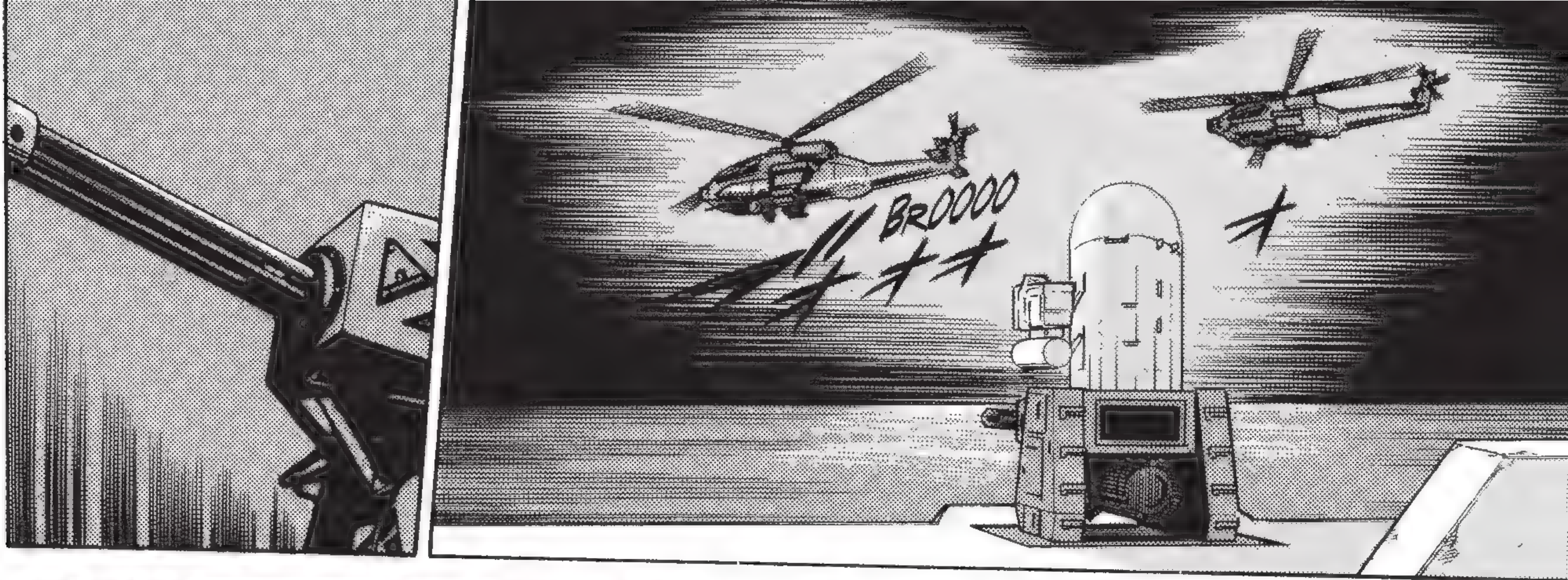




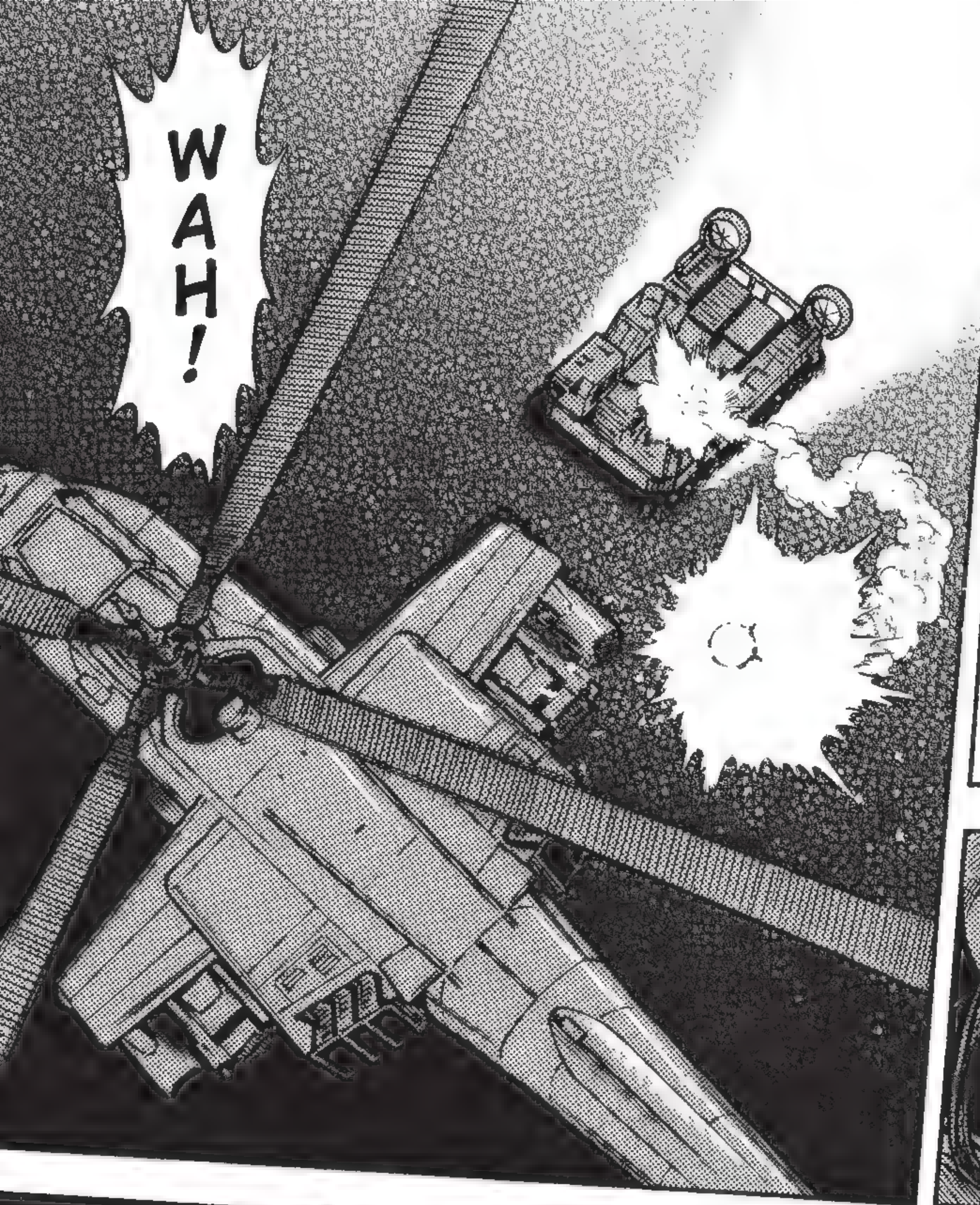








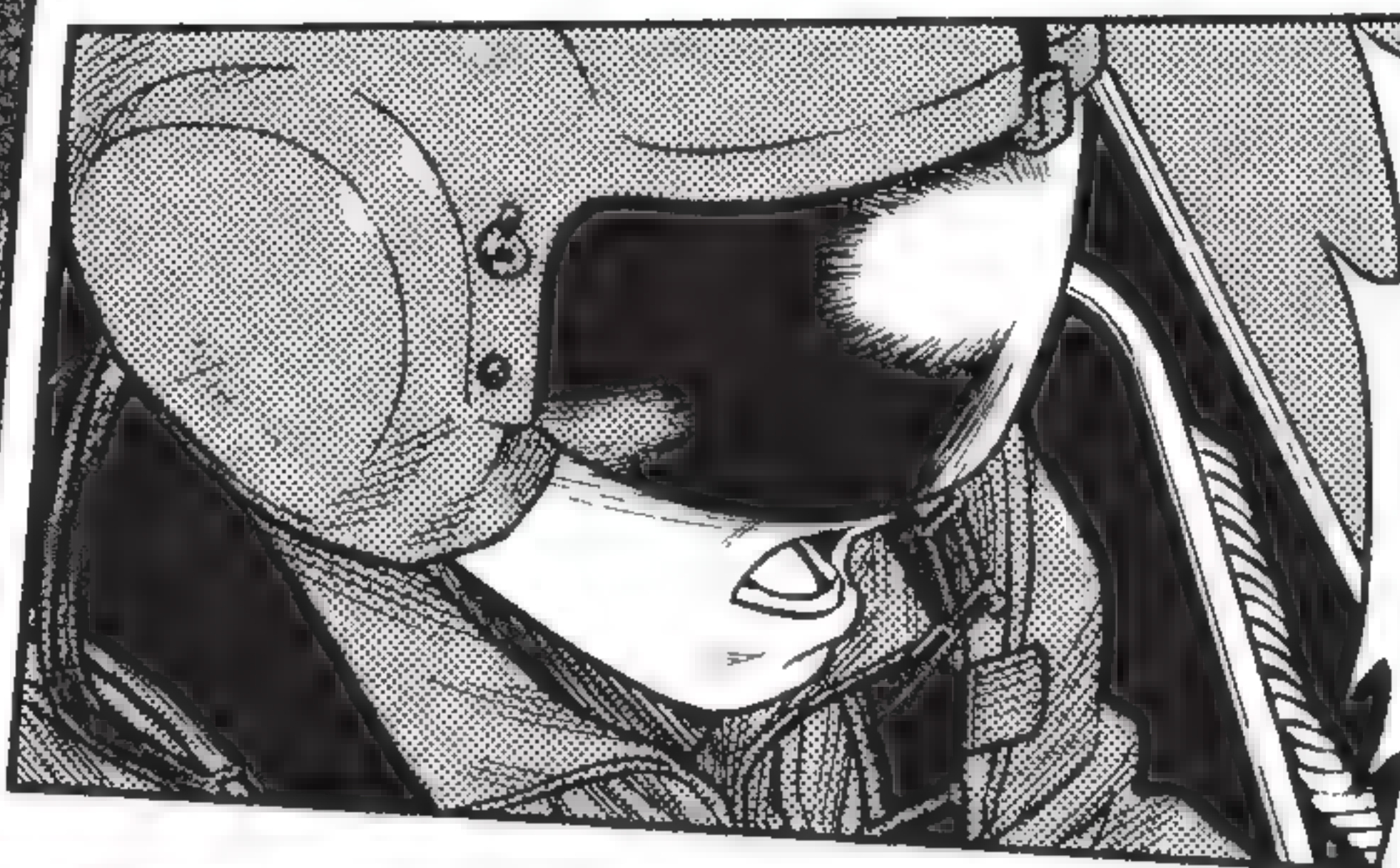




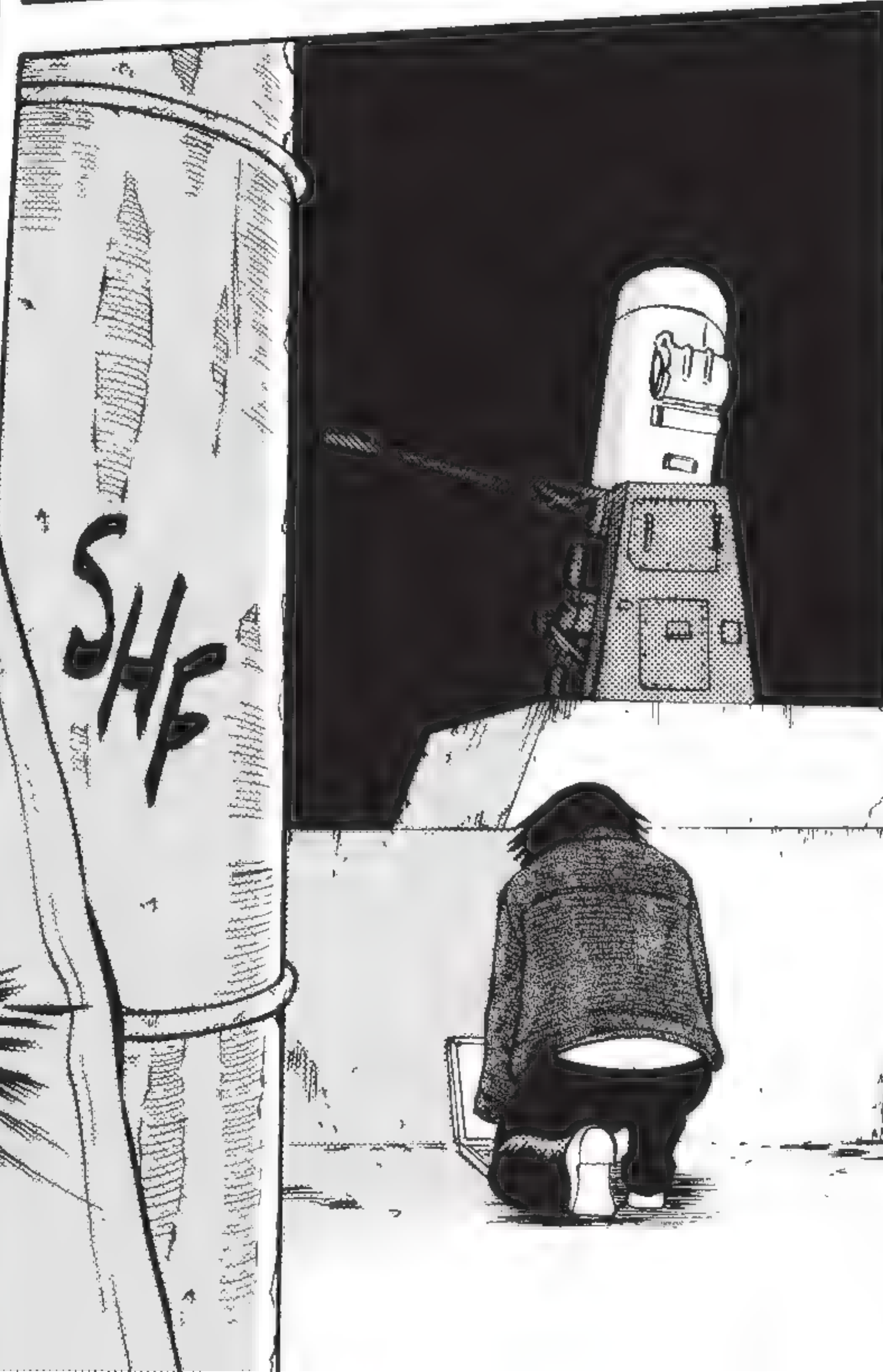
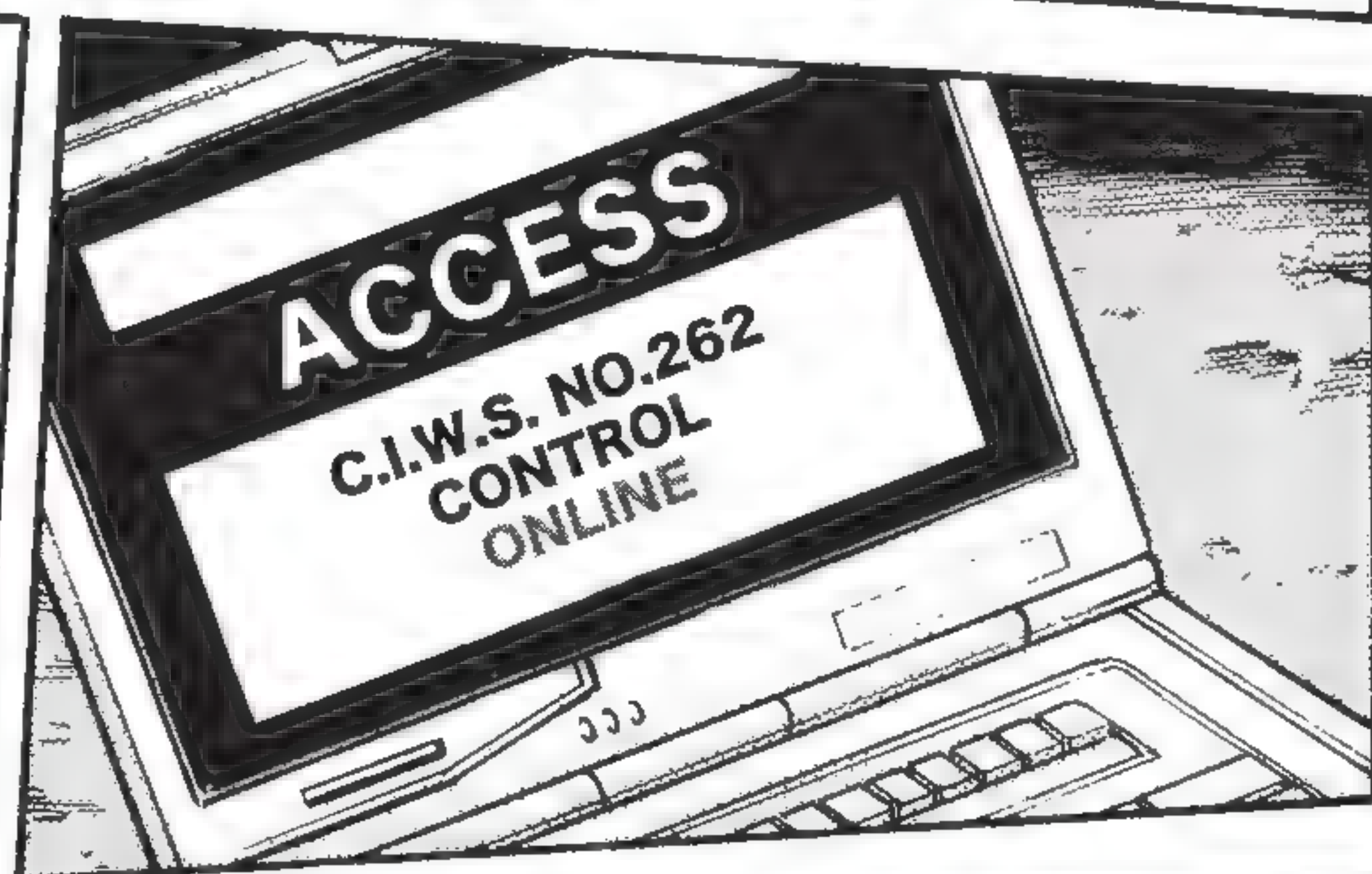
WHY'D  
IT FIRE  
ON A  
FRIENDLY  
TARGET?!



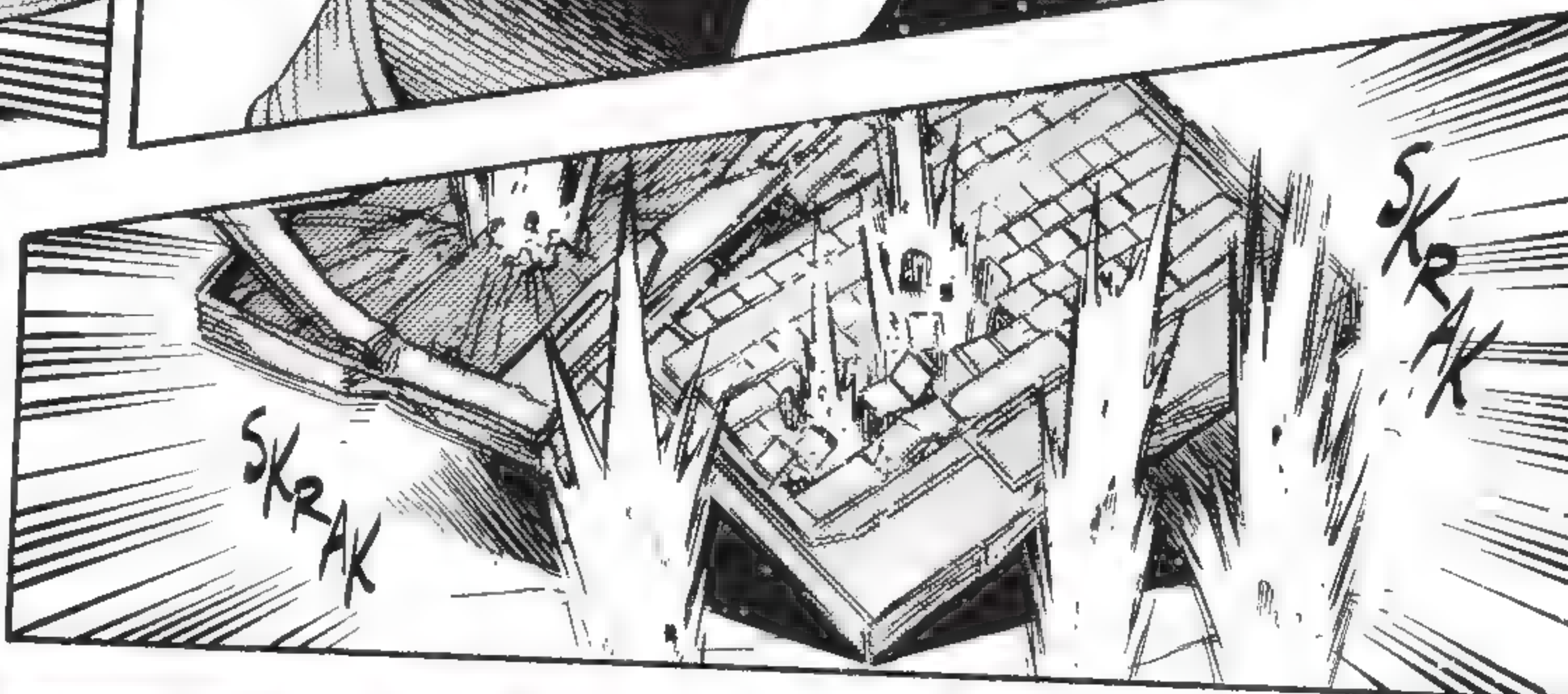
WHAT  
THE  
HELL?!



BLOWGUN 1  
TO BLOW-  
GUN 2,  
WHAT  
HAPPENED  
OVER  
THERE?!



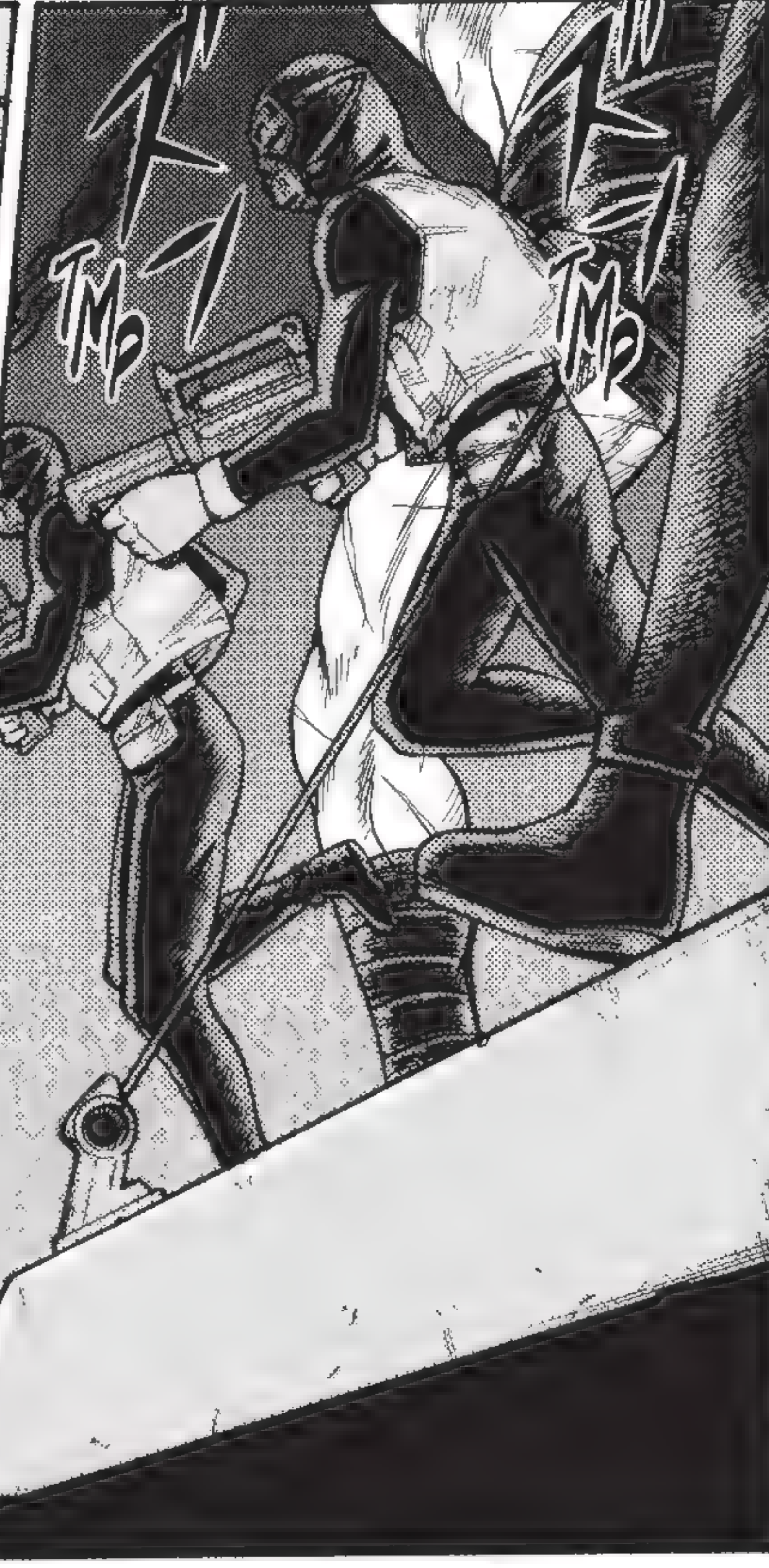
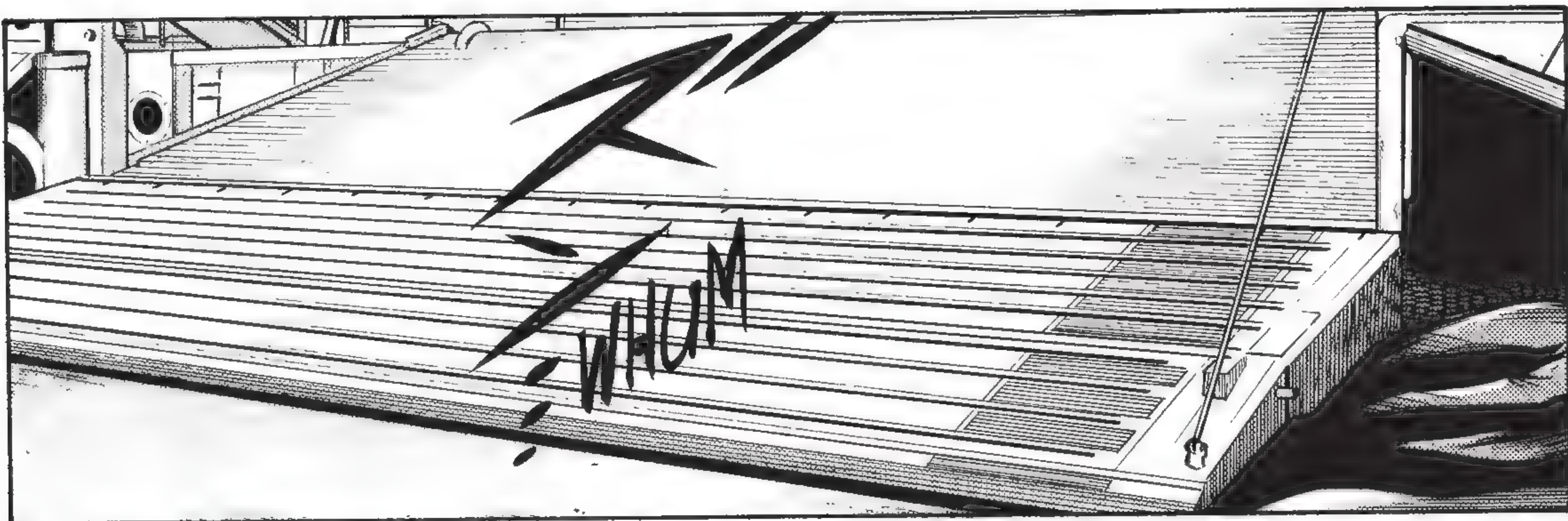
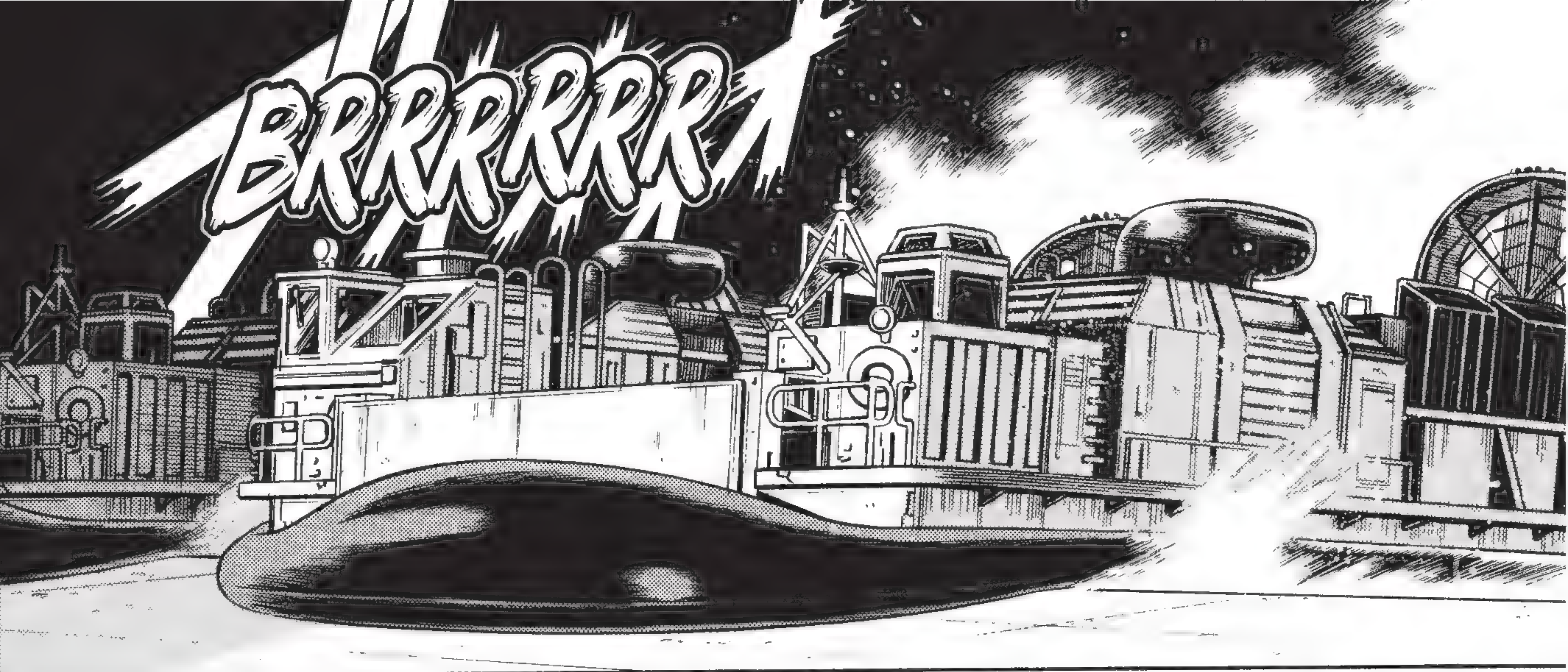




YOU  
...











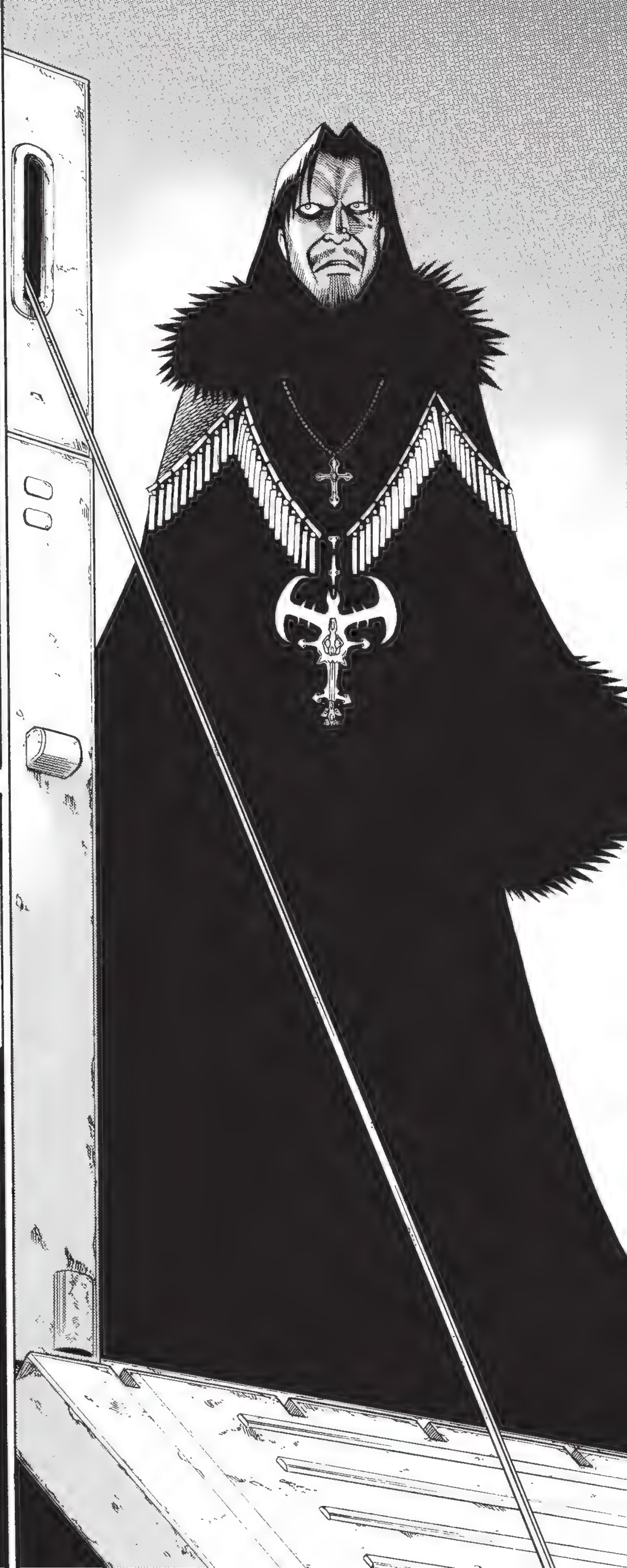
PROCEED-  
ED AS  
PLANNED,  
M'LORD...

WHAT  
OF THE  
ATTACK  
ON THE  
RE-  
SEARCH  
FACILITY?

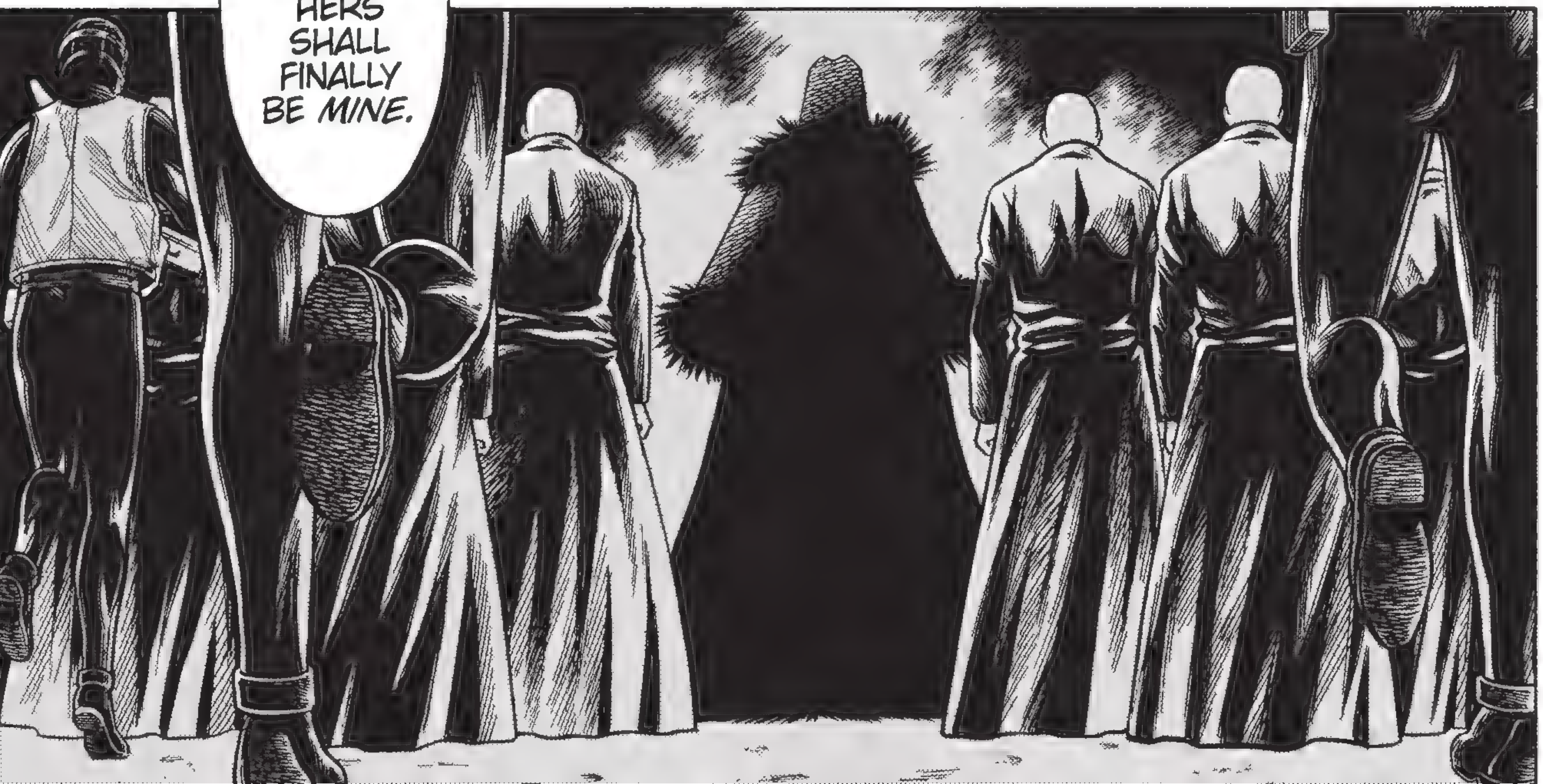
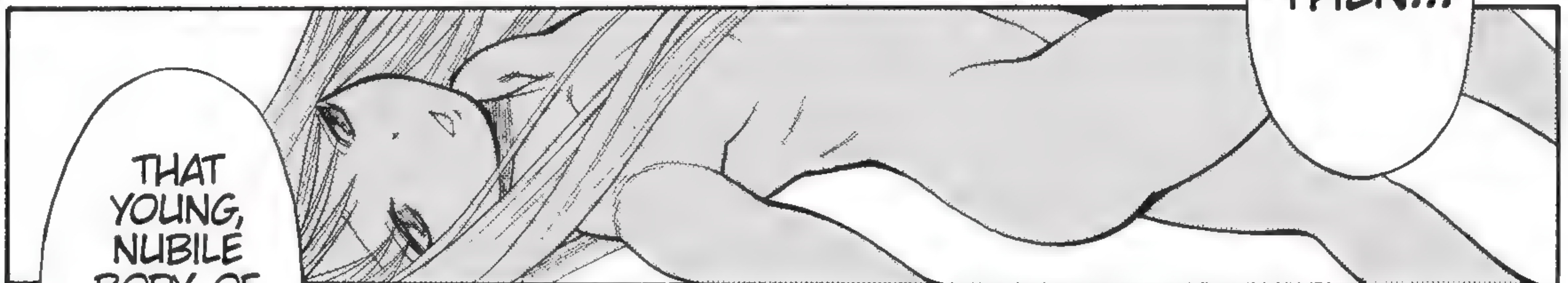
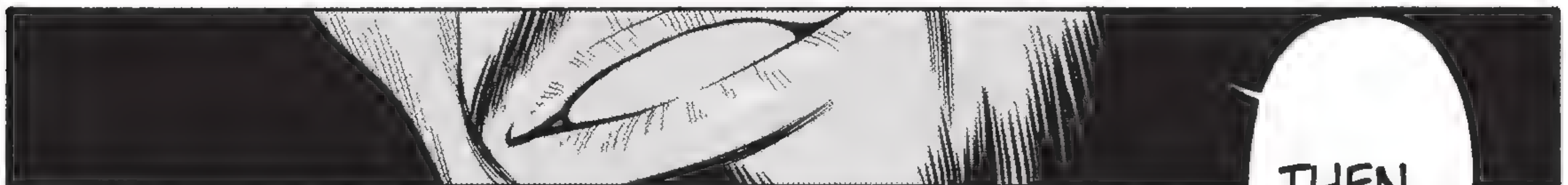


MINA  
NOW  
BELONGS  
TO ME.

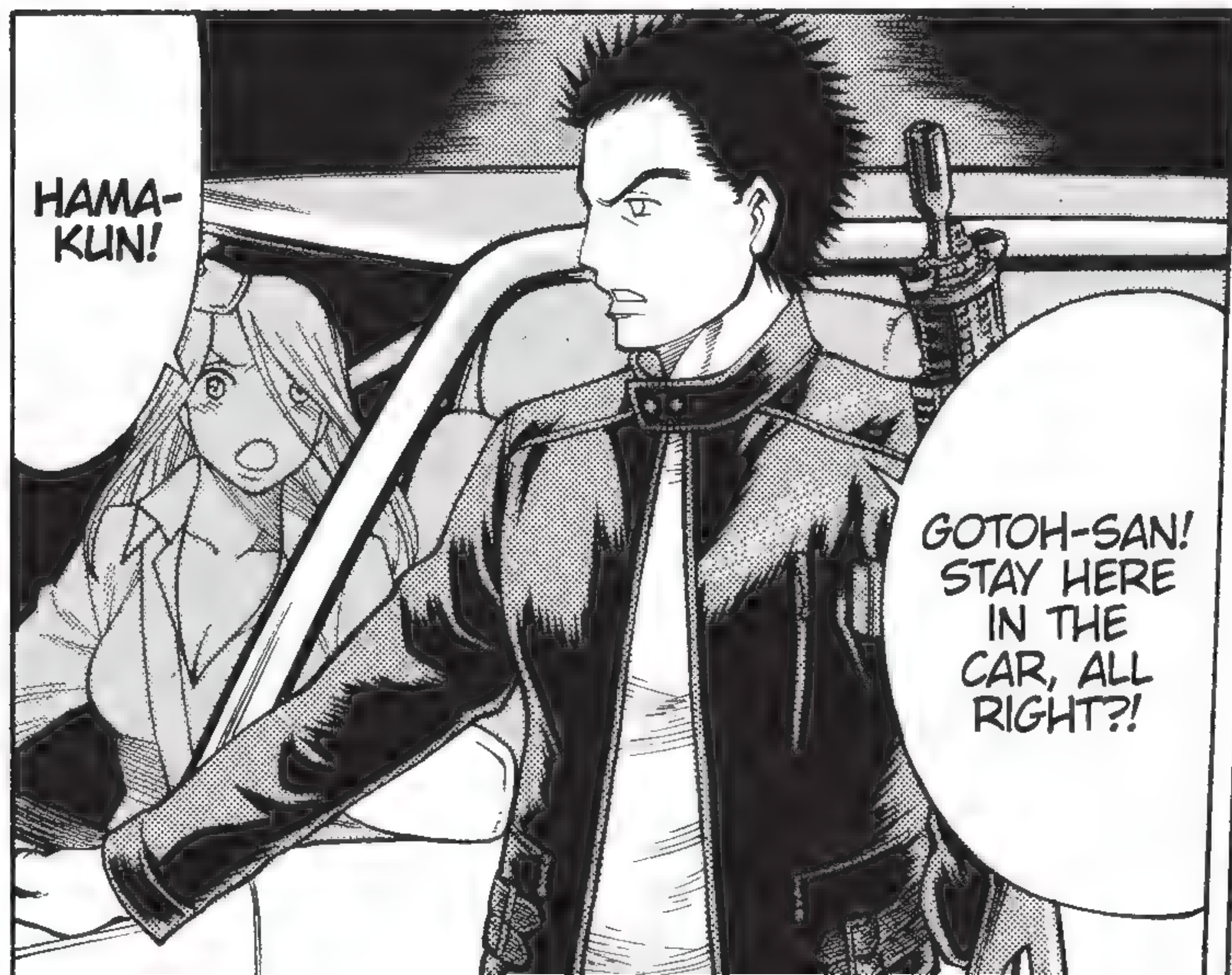
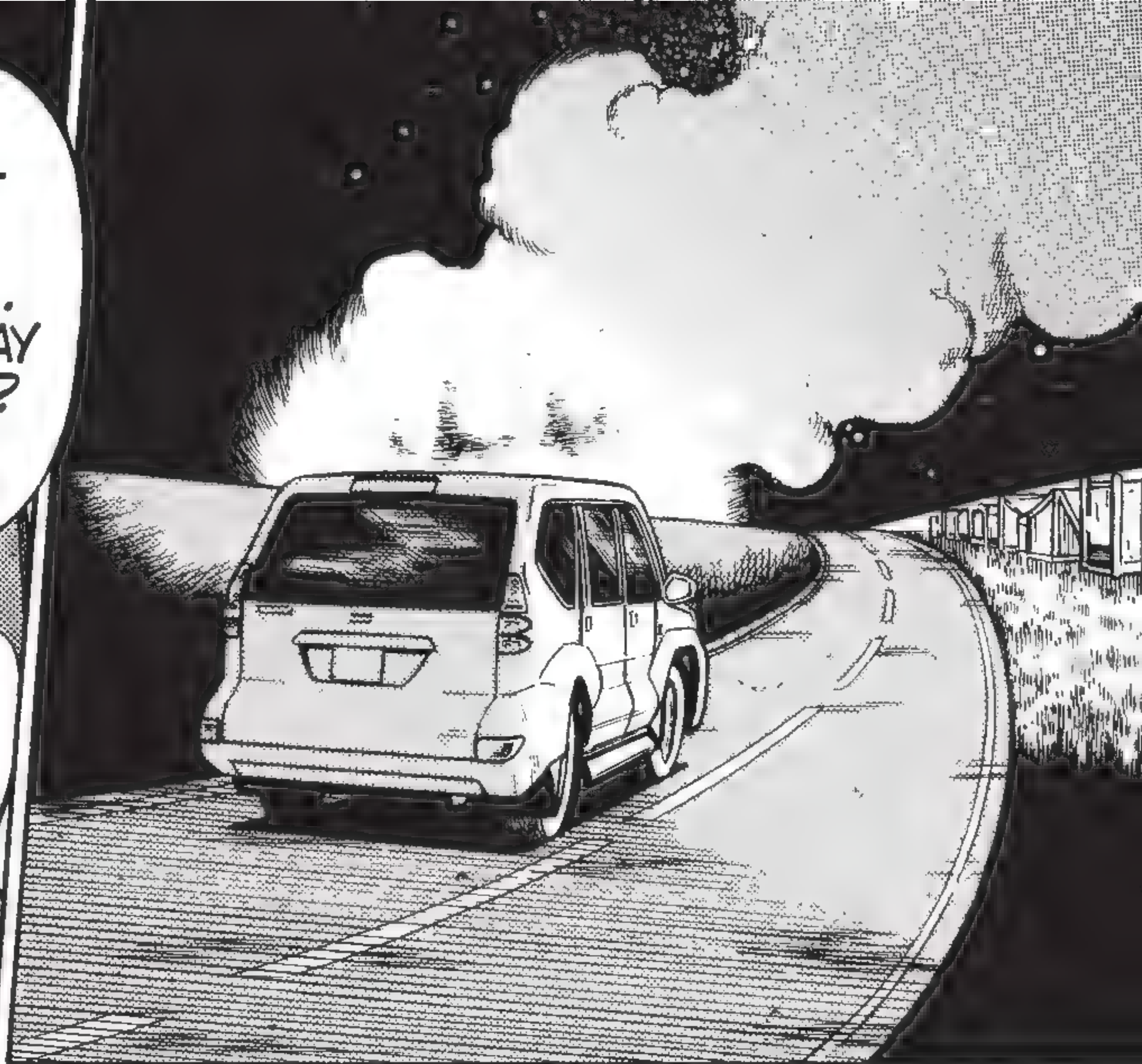
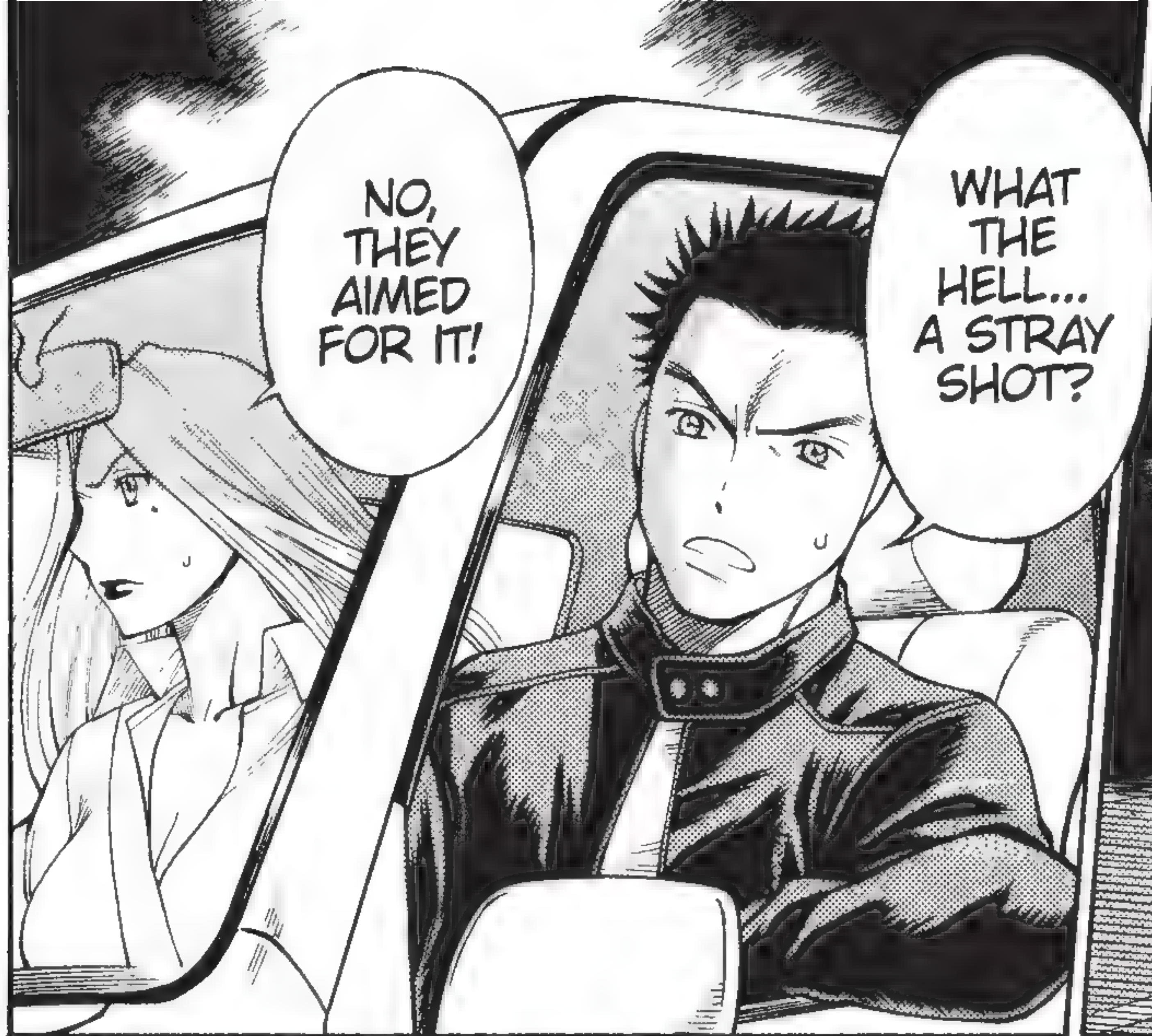
SPLENDID.  
MY  
BARGAIN  
WITH LI IS  
FULFILLED.



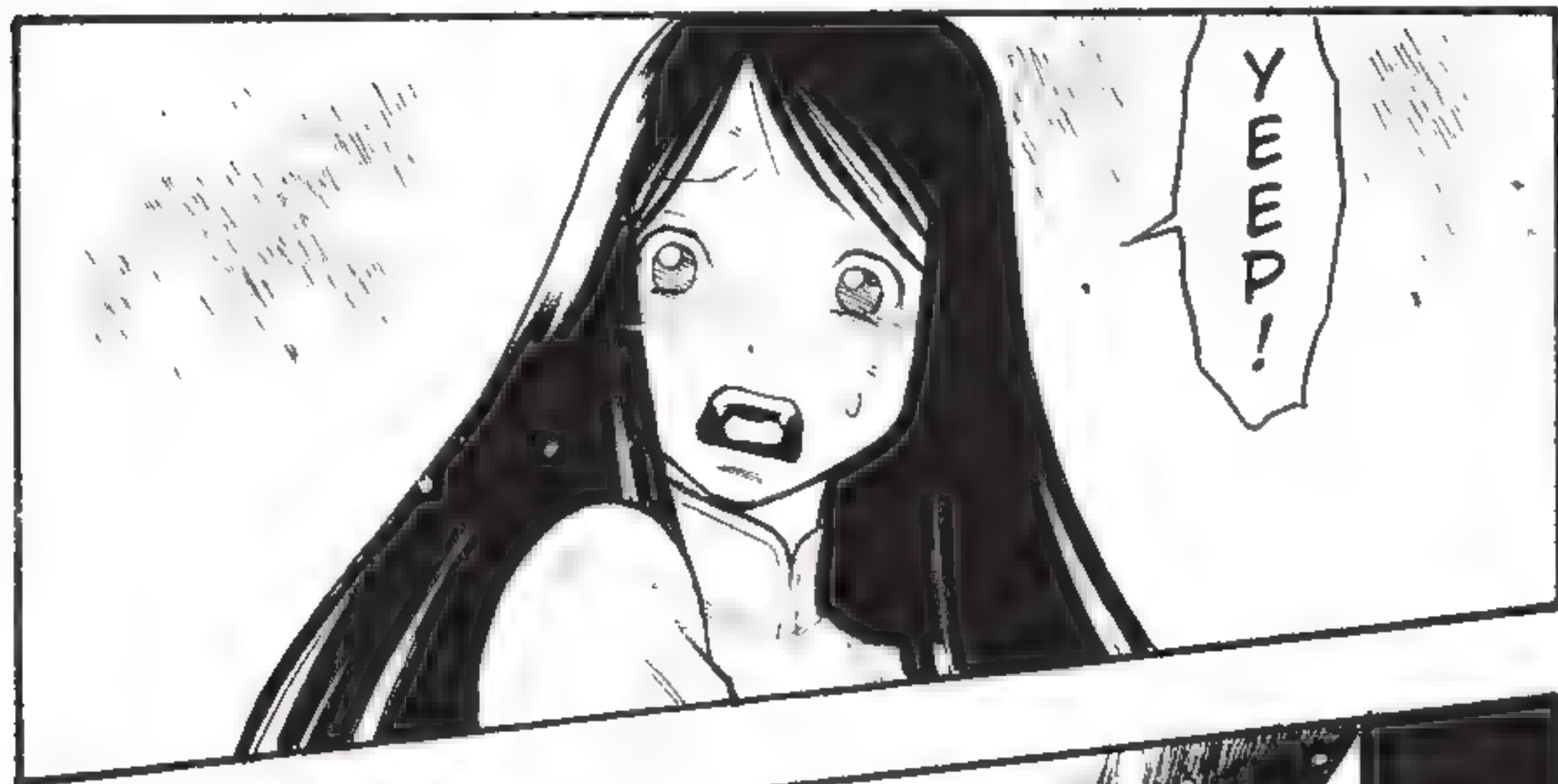
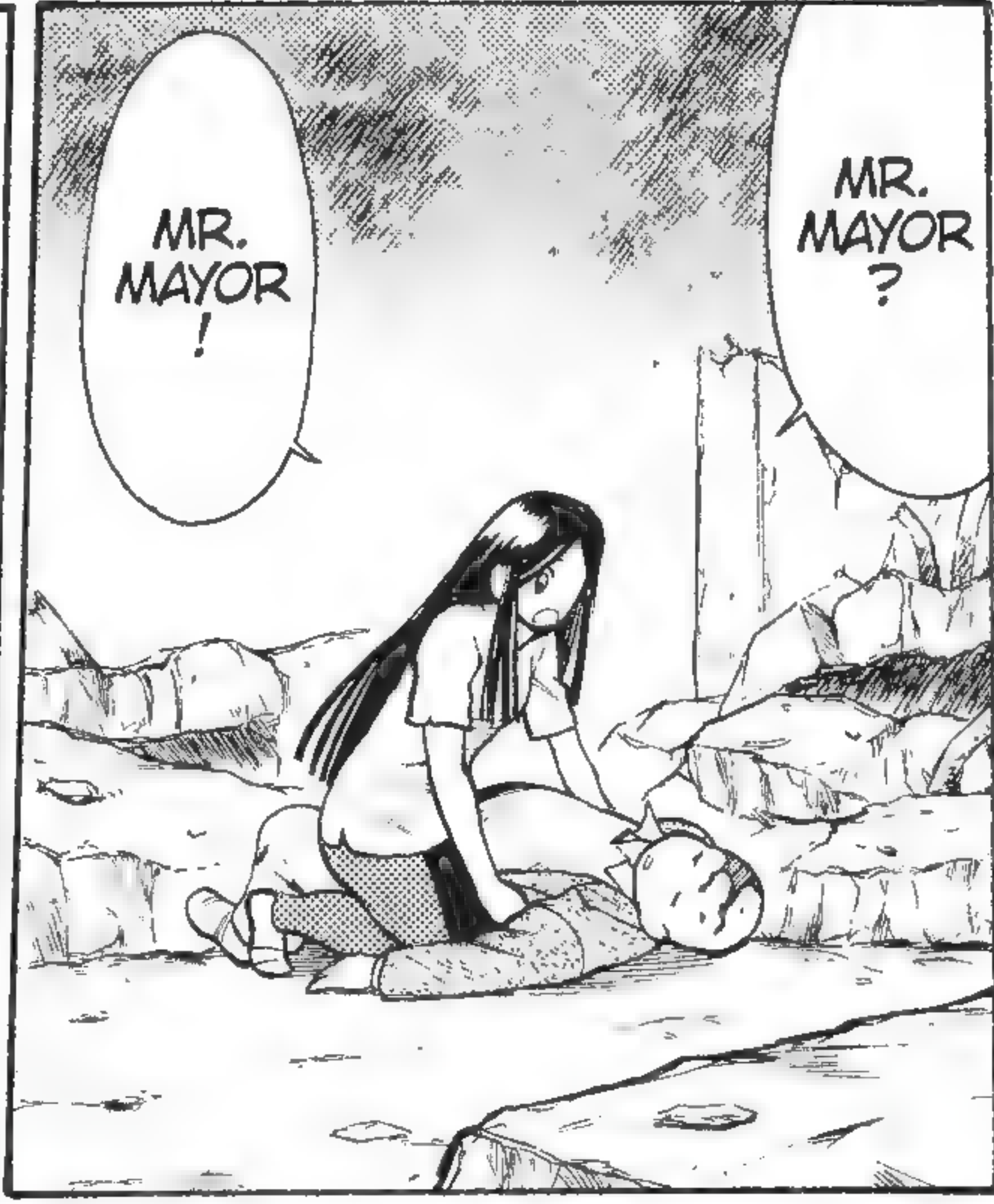








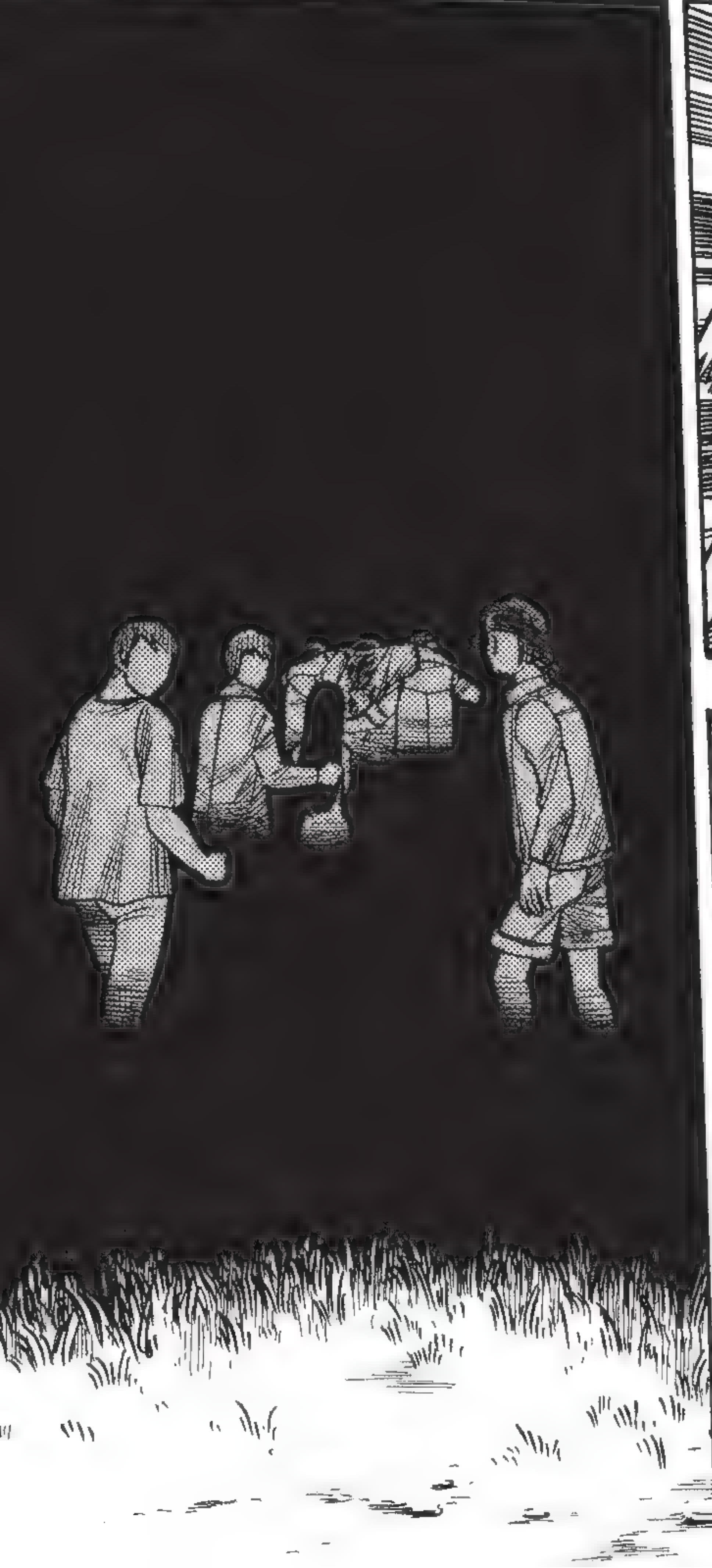




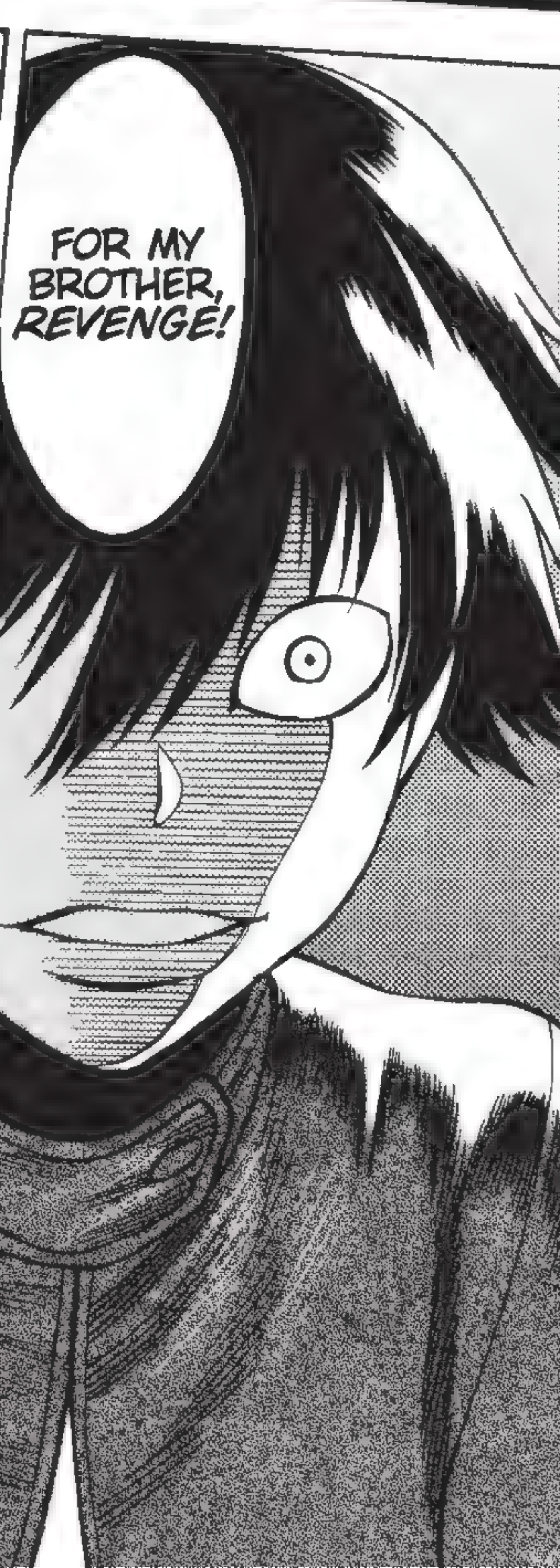
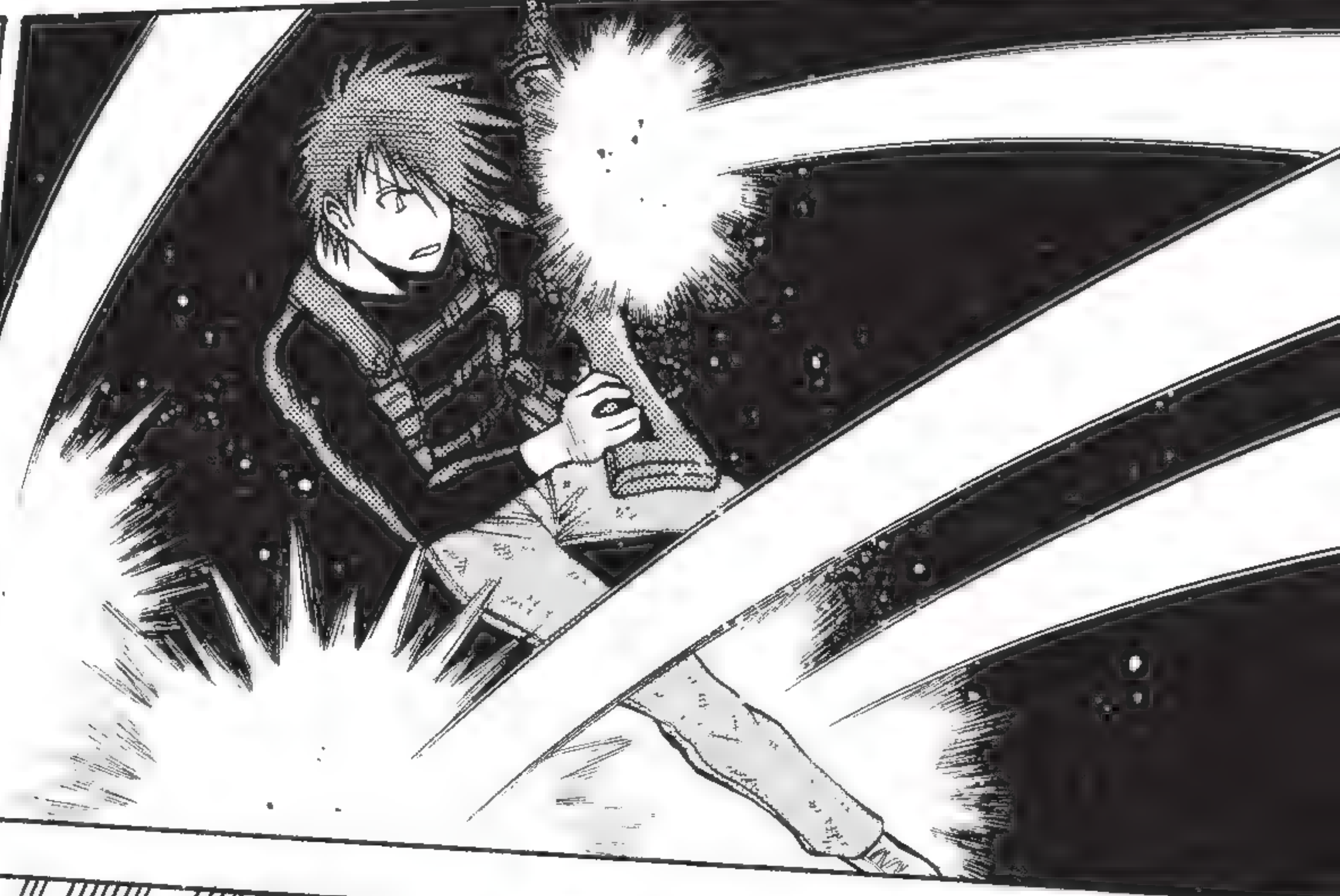












THAT WAS A GUY?









FRANKLY,  
RIGHT  
NOW,  
TOPSIDE'S  
GONE ALL  
TO HELL...

UH,  
THANKS  
FOR THE  
HELP  
AND  
ALL...

BUT ARE  
YOU SURE  
IT'S OKAY  
FOR YOU  
TO BE OUT  
OF THE  
CRADLE?!



ALL THE  
MORE  
REASON  
FOR ME  
TO BE  
HERE.

I KNOW...  
IVANOVIC  
HAS COME,  
CORRECT?



HI  
THERE!!

NATASHA-  
SAN?!

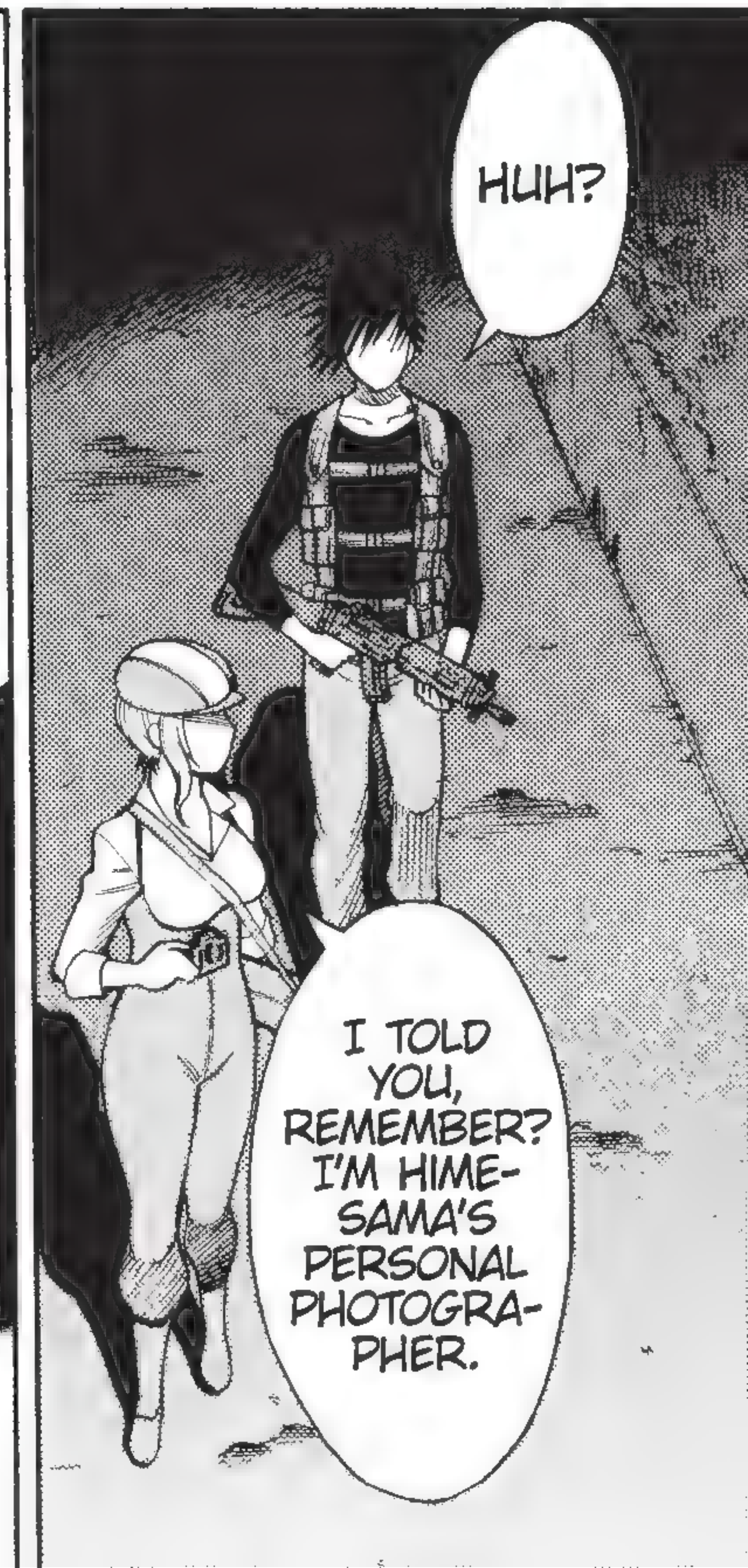


IF  
YOU  
SAY  
SO.



RIGHT  
DOWN  
TO ITS  
VERY  
END.

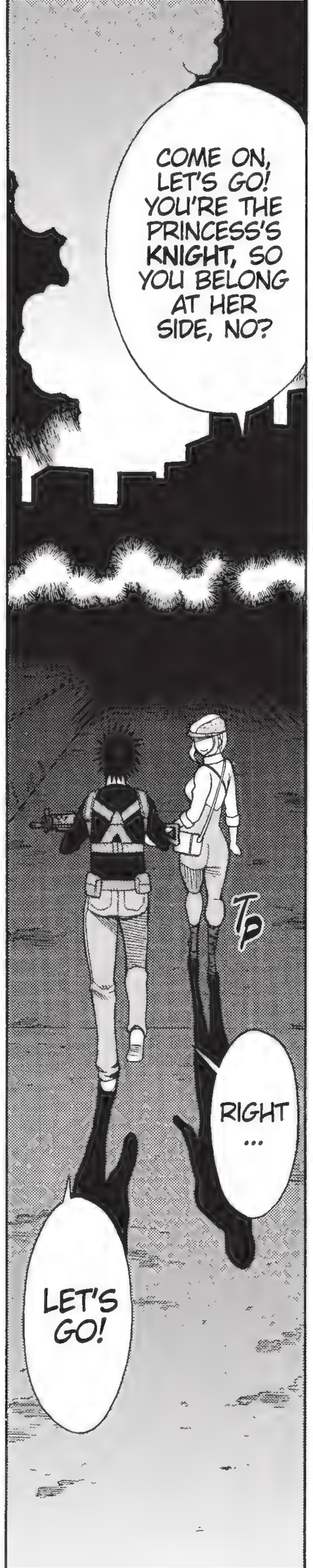
I AM  
GOING TO  
RECORD  
THE  
ENTIRETY  
OF THIS  
WAR.



HUH?

I TOLD  
YOU,  
REMEMBER?  
I'M HIME-  
SAMA'S  
PERSONAL  
PHOTOGRA-  
PHER.





COME ON,  
LET'S GO!  
YOU'RE THE  
PRINCESS'S  
KNIGHT, SO  
YOU BELONG  
AT HER  
SIDE, NO?

RIGHT  
...

LET'S  
GO!



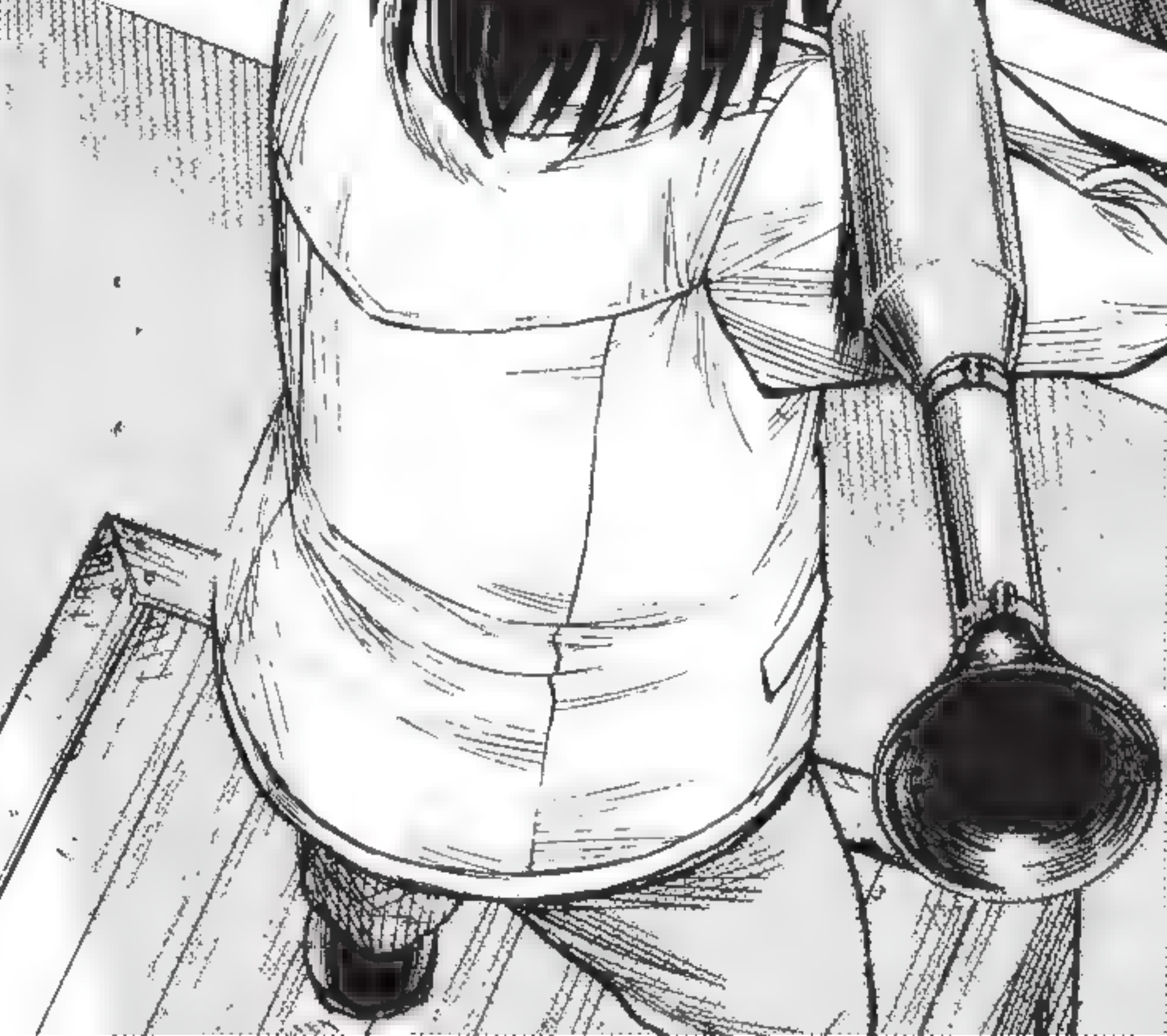


ENOUGH  
OF  
THIS!!

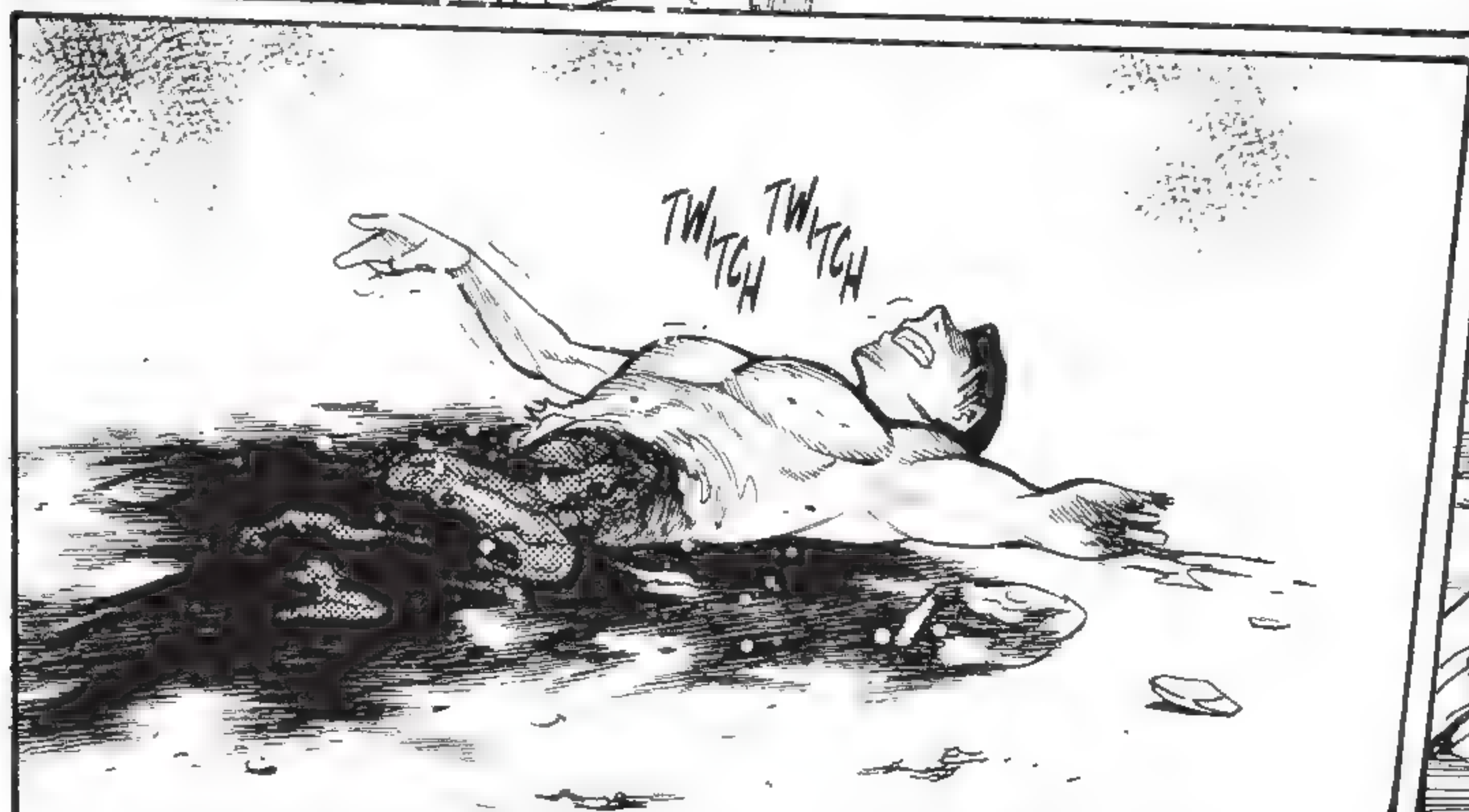
RUGH!



GPR



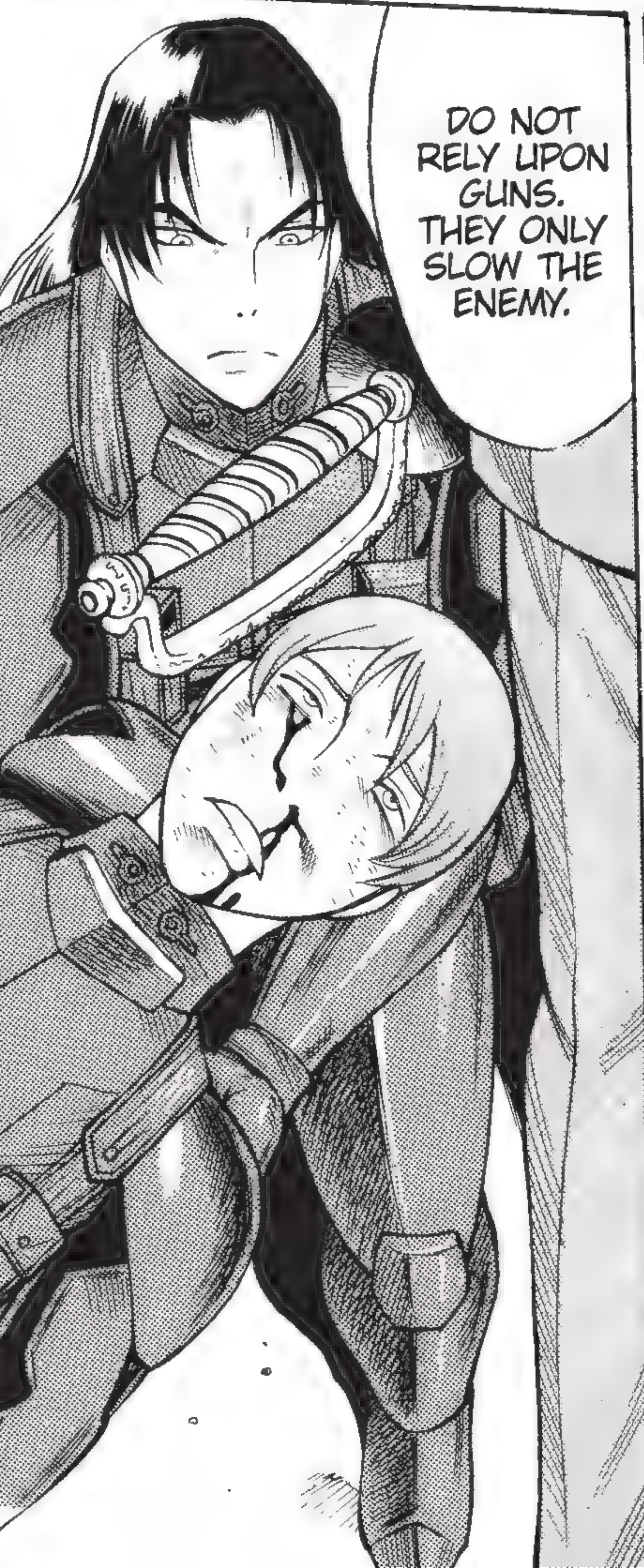












DO NOT  
RELY UPON  
GUNS.  
THEY ONLY  
SLOW THE  
ENEMY.







**DRAW  
YOUR  
BLADES  
!!**

**SHING**

**THE  
TRUE  
WEAPON  
OF A  
BEOWULF  
IS THE  
SWORD!**





IVAN-  
OVIC...



WOLFGANG-  
DONO,  
OVER  
THERE!

THOOM

BOOOOM



WE MUST  
CHASE  
IVANOVIC  
DOWN.

SPLIT  
INTO TWO  
GROUPS...



THMM

THMM



A  
BLACK-  
OUT...?

!?

FP









THOSE  
MUST BE  
IVANOVIC'S  
WERE-  
WOLVES!

THEY'RE  
EARTH  
CLAN?!



H  
A  
A  
A  
A  
A

WERE-  
WOLVES...?  
THOSE  
ARE JUST  
**BEASTS!**



ALMOST THE  
ENTIRETY OF  
IVANOVIC'S  
WEREWOLVES  
DEFECTED  
AFTER THE  
GREAT  
PURGE...

I HAD HEARD  
THAT THE ONES  
WHO REMAINED  
OR WHO HAD  
BEEN CAPTURED  
SUFFERED  
HORRIBLE  
REPRISALS IN  
CONSEQUENCE...

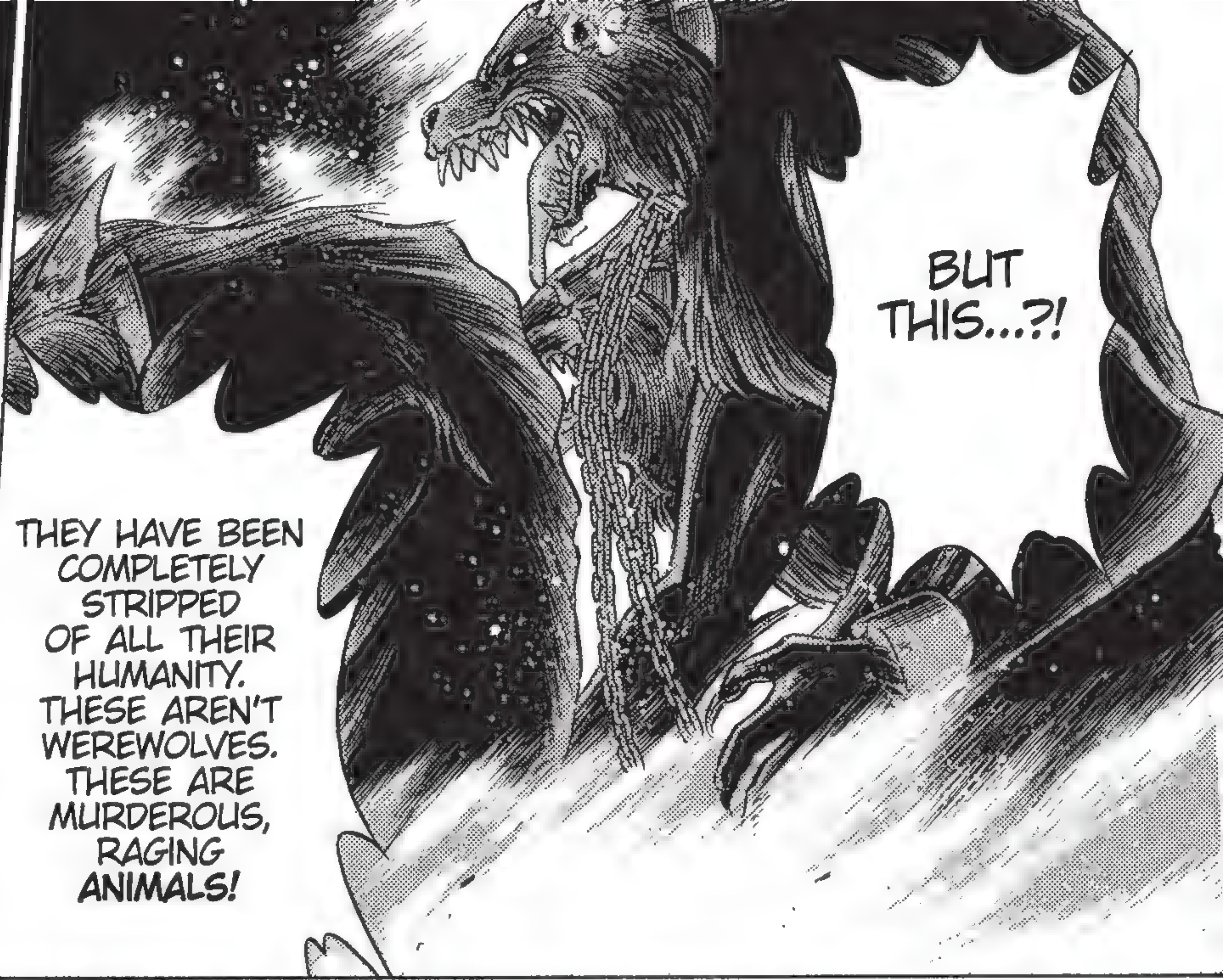






THAT  
BAS-  
TARD  
....!

THEY HAVE BEEN  
COMPLETELY  
STRIPPED  
OF ALL THEIR  
HUMANITY.  
THESE AREN'T  
WEREWOLVES.  
THESE ARE  
MURDEROUS,  
RAGING  
ANIMALS!



BUT  
THIS...?!



ROAAARRR



WOOSH

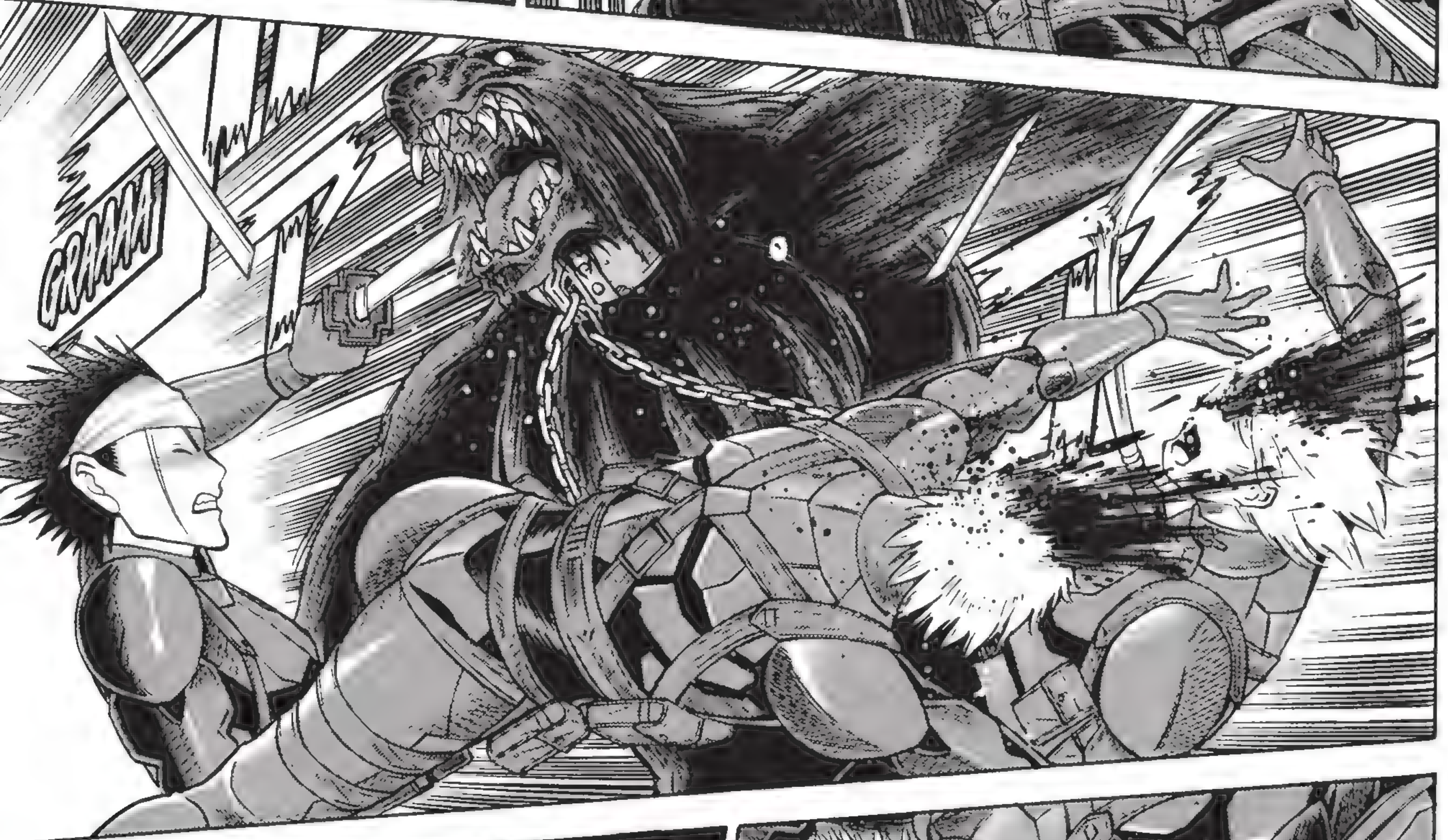


BEO-  
WULF,  
STAND  
AND  
FIGHT!!

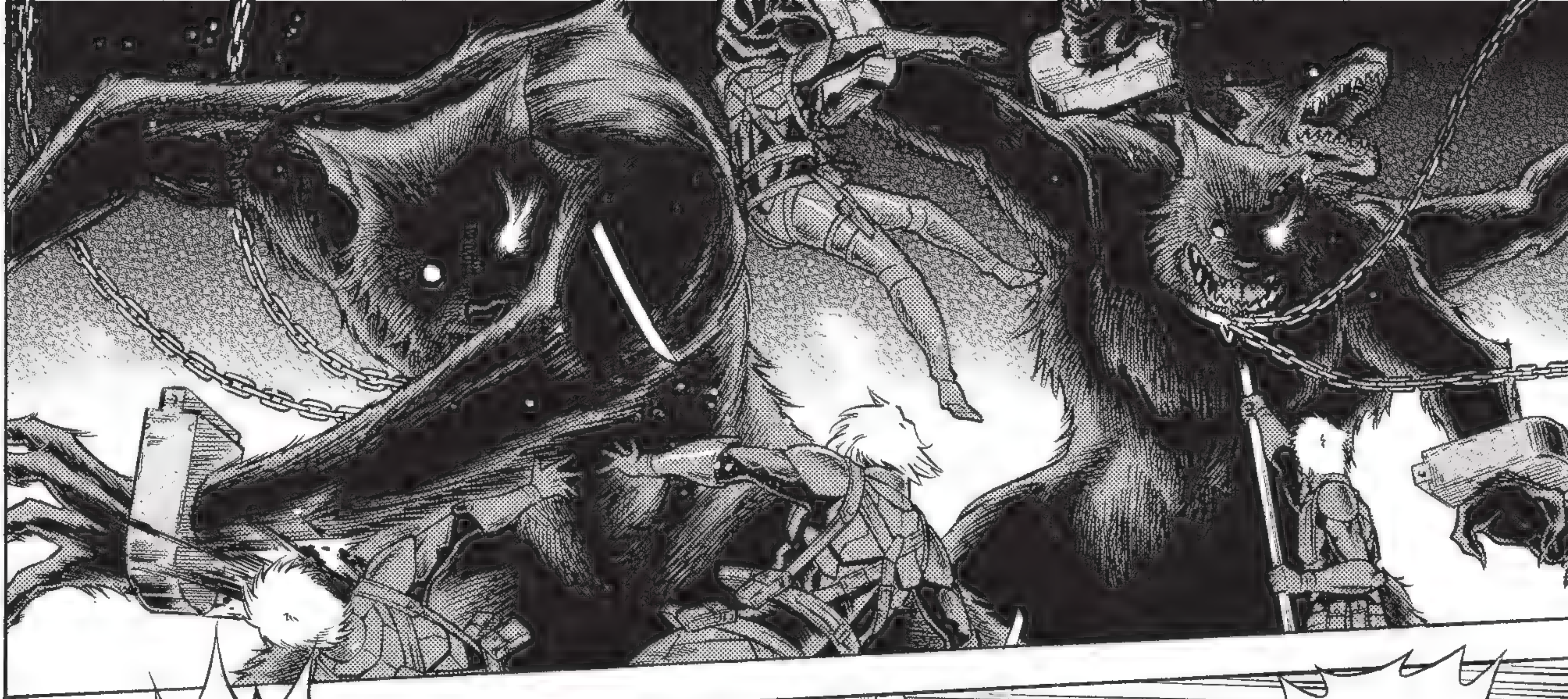
THMM THMM THMM THMM

HERE  
THEY  
COME!









PULL  
BACK  
AND RE-  
GROUP!!



DO NOT  
CLOSE  
IN TOO  
RECK-  
LESSLY!!



THESE  
FREAKS  
AREN'T  
SOMETHING  
YOU CAN  
TAKE OUT  
WITH A  
SWORD!

Aoooo



YOU'VE  
GOTTA BE  
KIDDING  
ME...



WHEN DID THE  
BEOWULF BECOME  
A PACK OF NANCY  
BOYS WHO  
PRANCE AROUND,  
POKING AT THE  
ENEMY WITH  
TOOTHPICKS...?

SKCH  
SKCH

!

GODS...

SHF

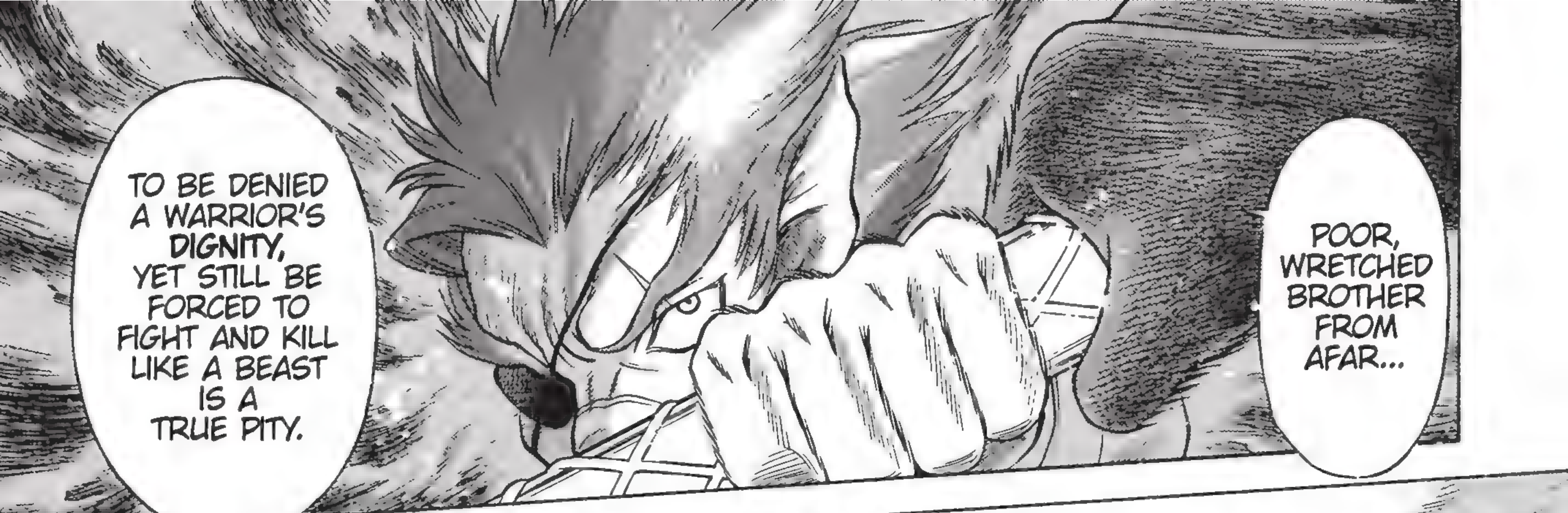













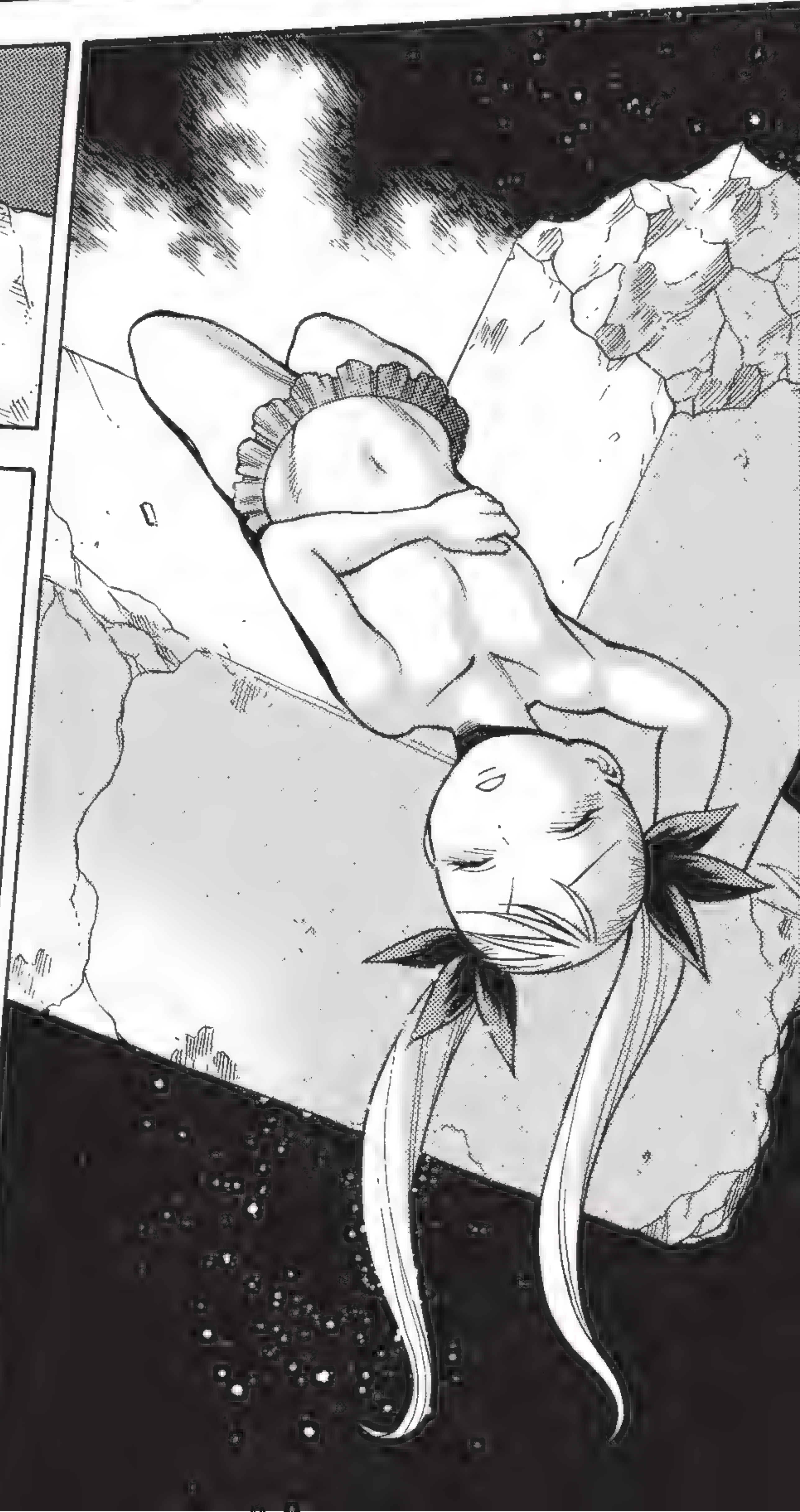
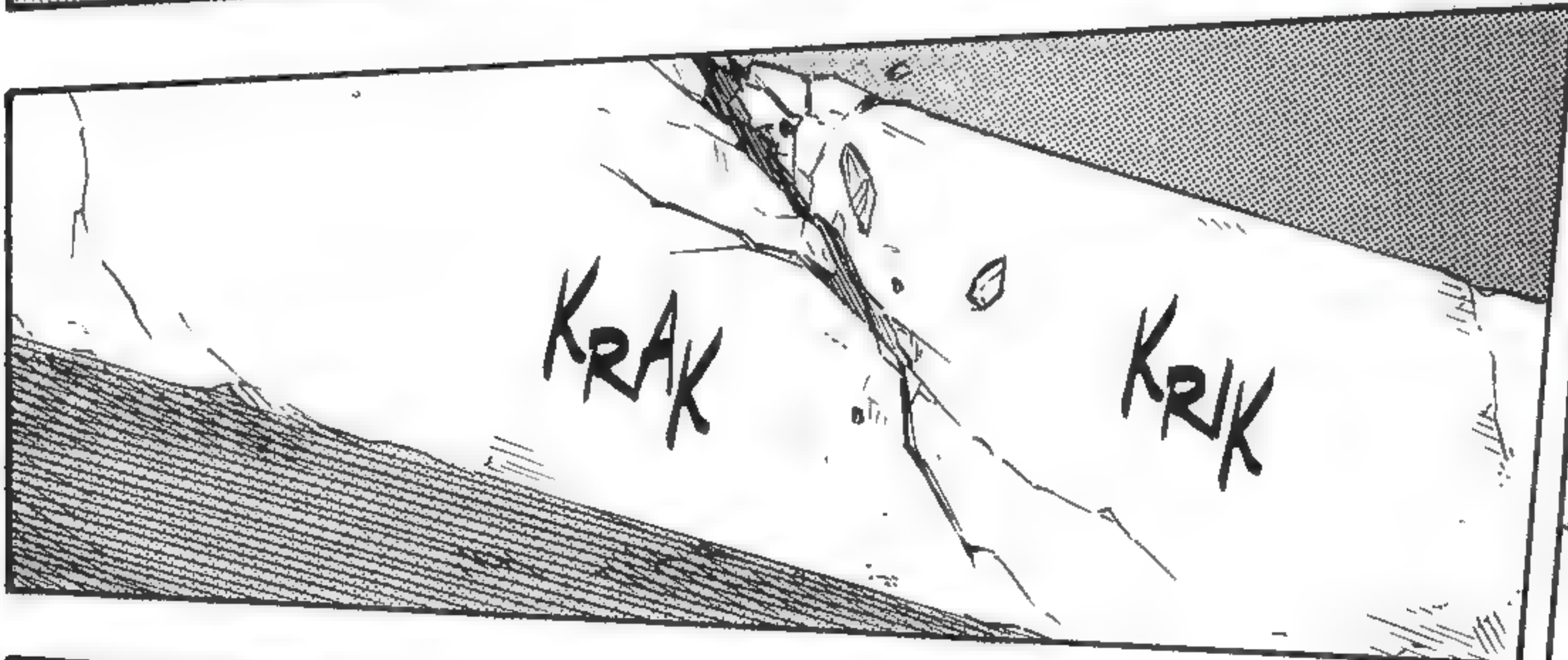
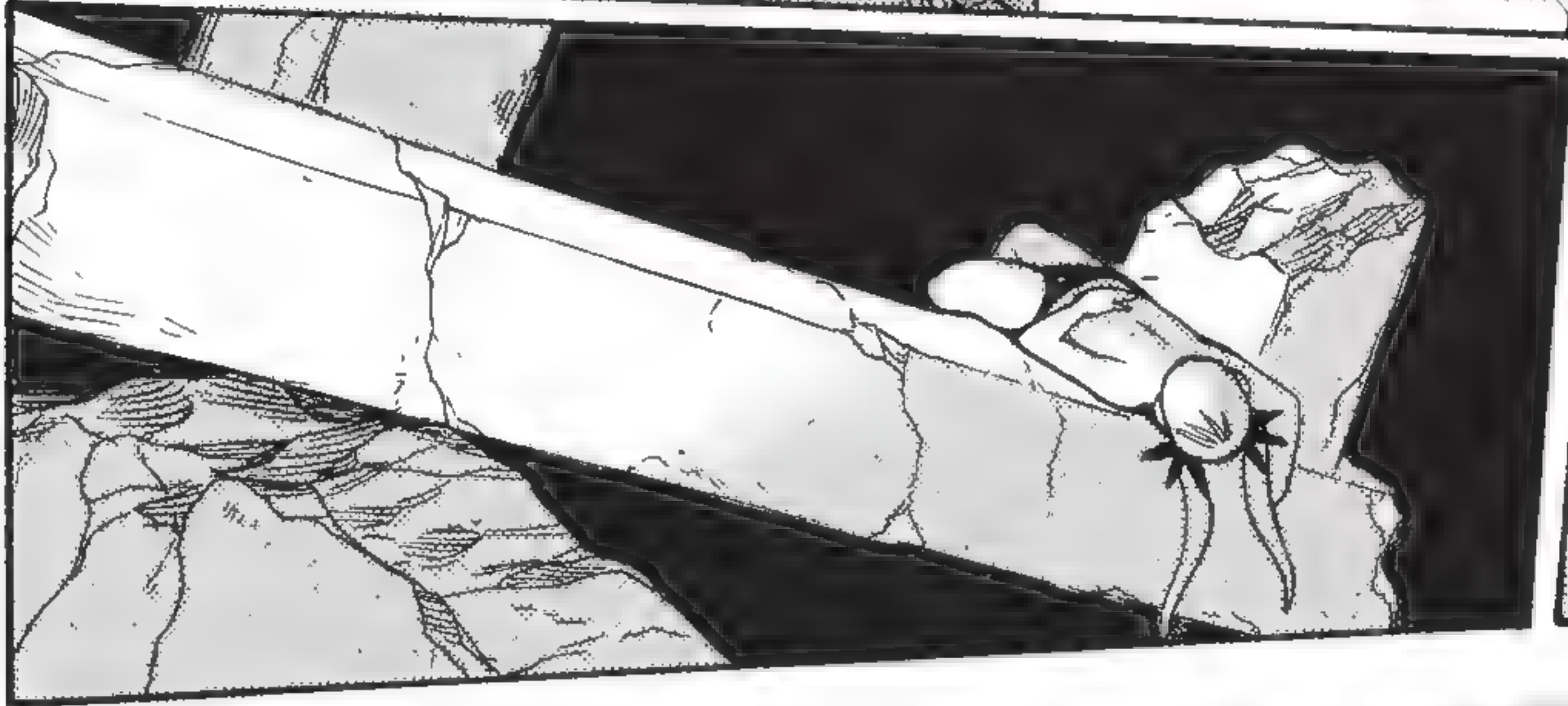
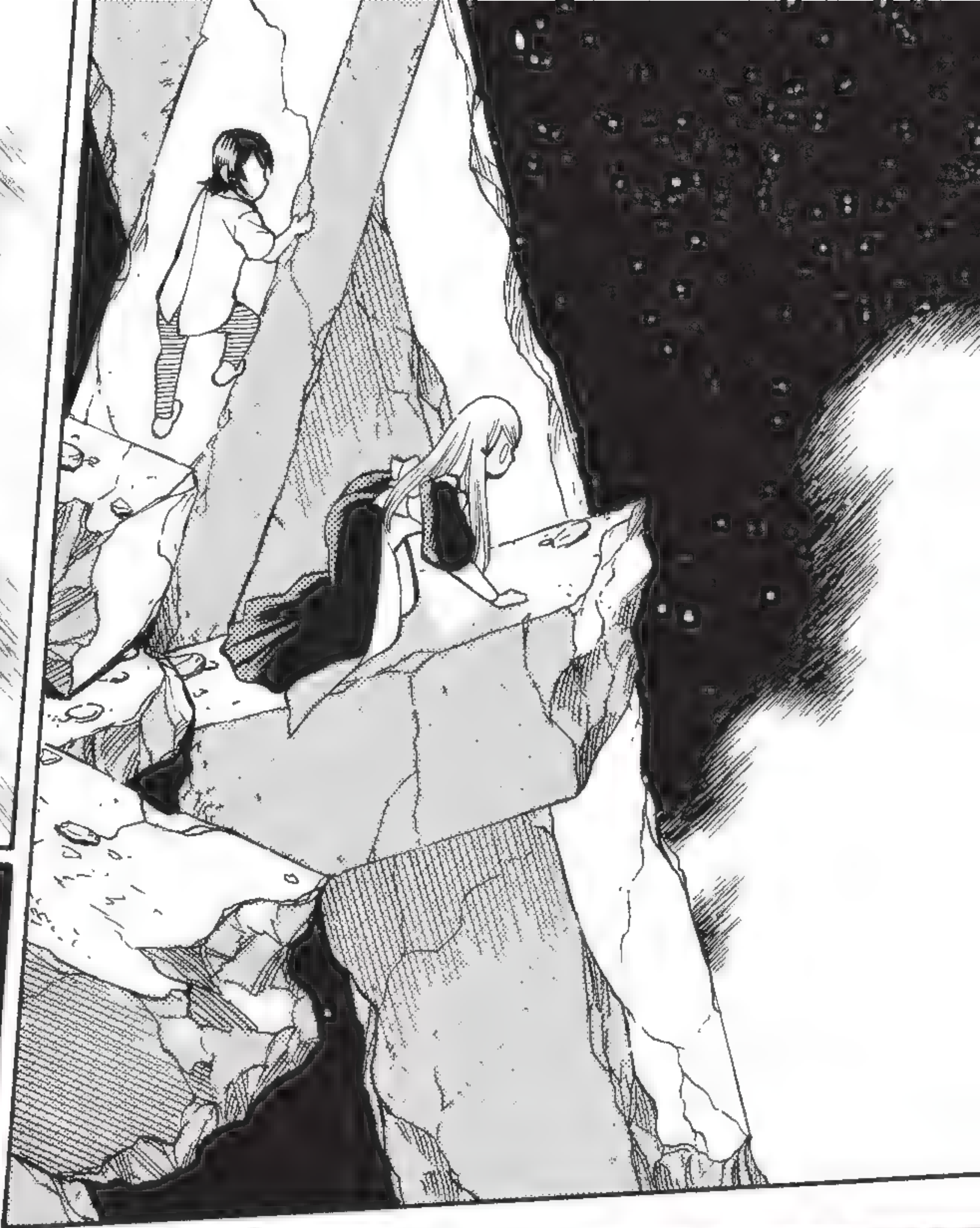
TO BE DENIED  
A WARRIOR'S  
DIGNITY,  
YET STILL BE  
FORCED TO  
FIGHT AND KILL  
LIKE A BEAST  
IS A  
TRUE PITY.

POOR,  
WRETCHED  
BROTHER  
FROM  
AFAR...



YOUR  
SUFFERING  
ENDS  
HERE.  
ALLOW ME  
TO SEND  
YOU TO  
VALHALLA  
WITH A  
WARRIOR'S  
DEATH!!









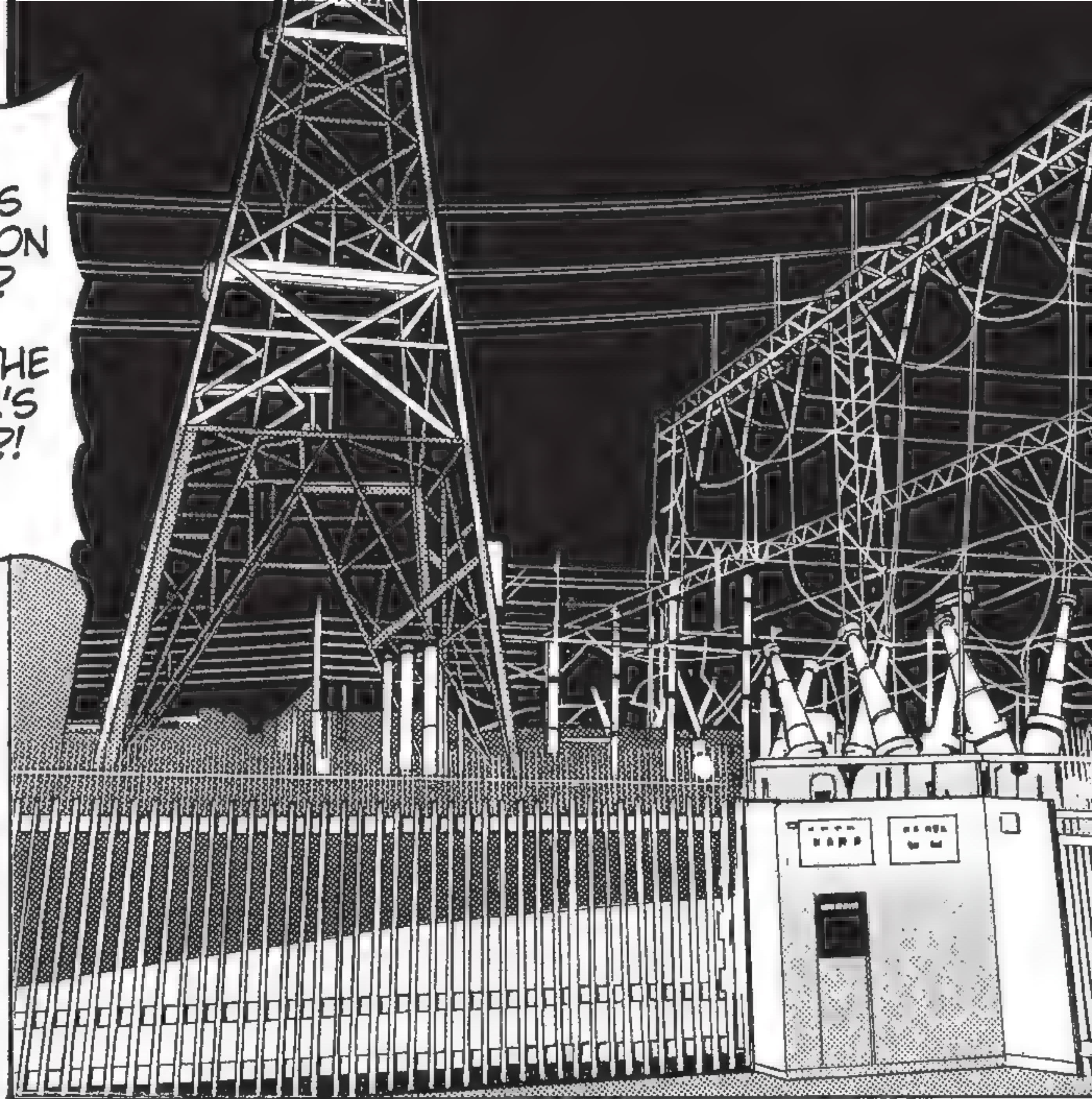




A WHOLE TRANS-FORMER'S GONE!!

YOU AREN'T GONNA BELIEVE THIS, SIR!!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? HOW COME THE POWER'S DOWN?!



BUT A MISSILE? LORD ABOVE...!

AW, DAMMIT... I KNEW SOMETHING LIKE THIS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN SOONER OR LATER.

IT MUST BE THOSE VAMPIRES! THEY DID HAVE TO PUT US IN THE MIDDLE OF THAT JOINT DISTRICT OR WHATEVER.

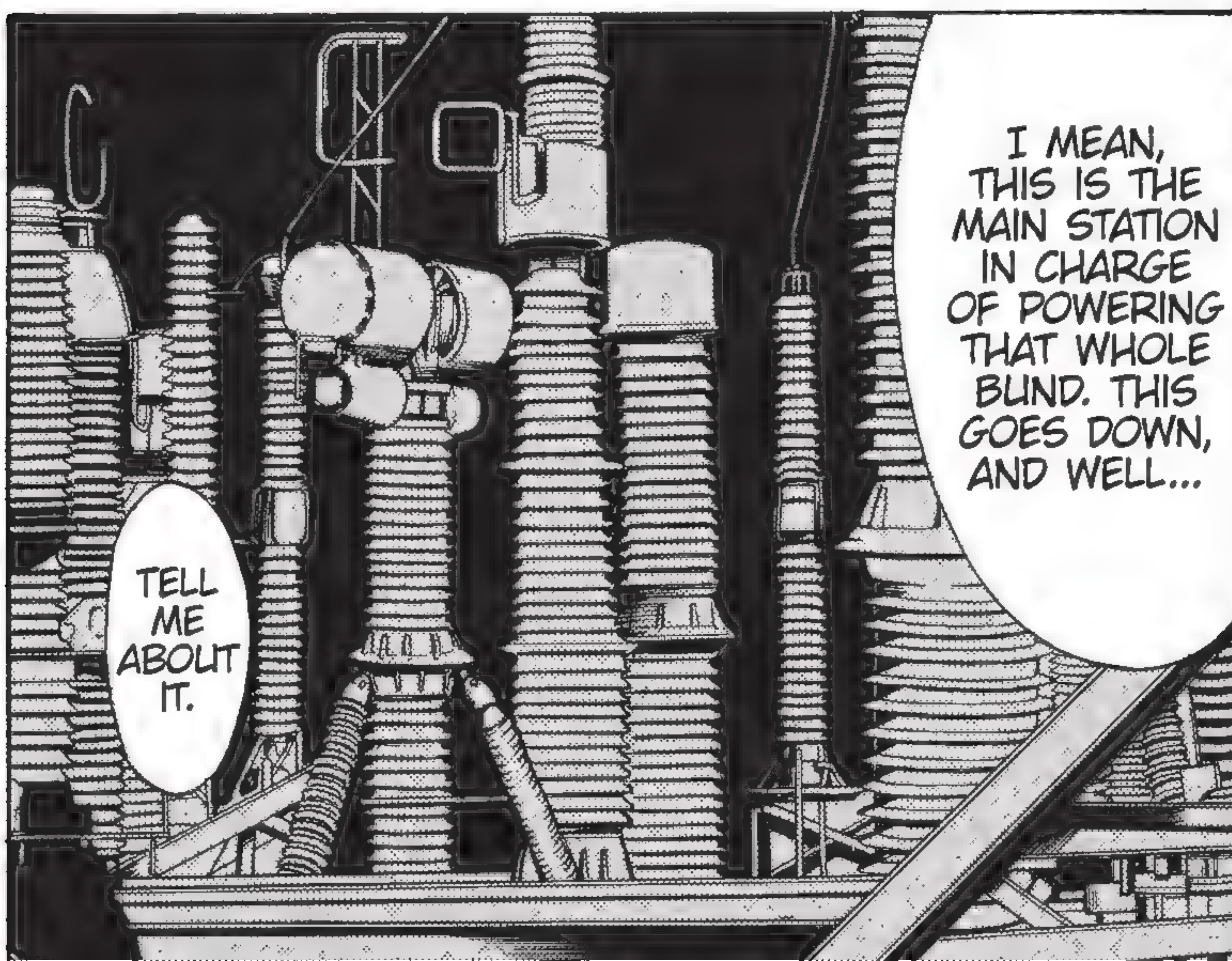
DO YOU THINK THEY'RE OKAY OVER THERE?



ARE YOU SERIOUS?!

SHRAPNEL HIT IT WHEN THE RESEARCH CENTER NEXT DOOR WENT, AND IT JUST BLEW UP!!

AND ONE OF THE OTHER GUYS ON DUTY SAID HE SAW A MISSILE FLYING AT IT RIGHT BEFORE IT WENT UP!



TELL ME ABOUT IT.

I MEAN, THIS IS THE MAIN STATION IN CHARGE OF POWERING THAT WHOLE BLIND. THIS GOES DOWN, AND WELL...

N-NO WAY! THIS IS JAPAN. THAT STUFF DOESN'T HAPPEN HERE!!





TK

POWER SUPPLY FROM MAINLAND INTERRUPTED.

TK TK TK

PROBABILITY OF POWER RESUMING WITHIN 15 MINUTES.....0%.



SWITCH BUND ELECTRICITY  
SUPPLY FROM EXTERIOR LINES  
TO PROMETHEUS.

SWITCH COMPLETE.  
SHIFT PROMETHEUS FROM NORMAL  
OPERATION MODE TO EMERGENCY  
OPERATION MODE.

3/10/1

INITIATE EMERGENCY SEQUENCE D-35.

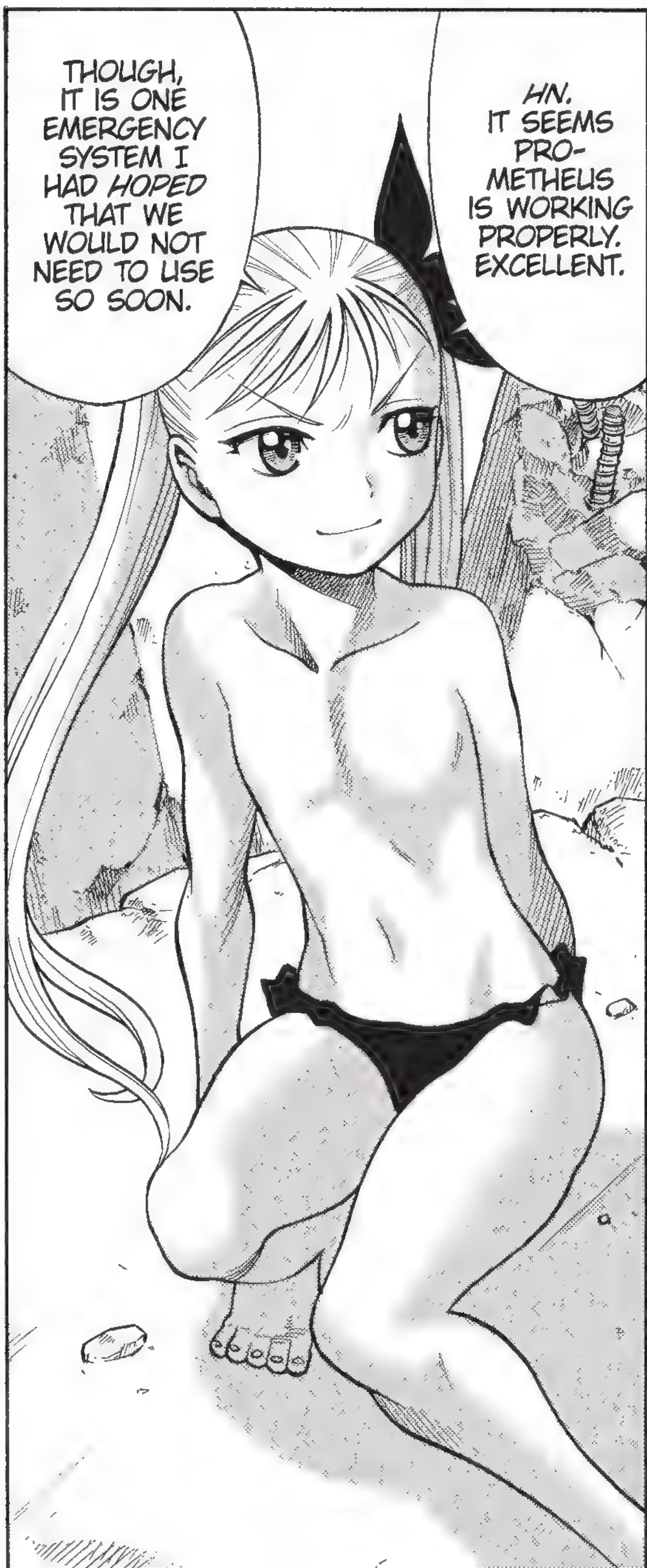
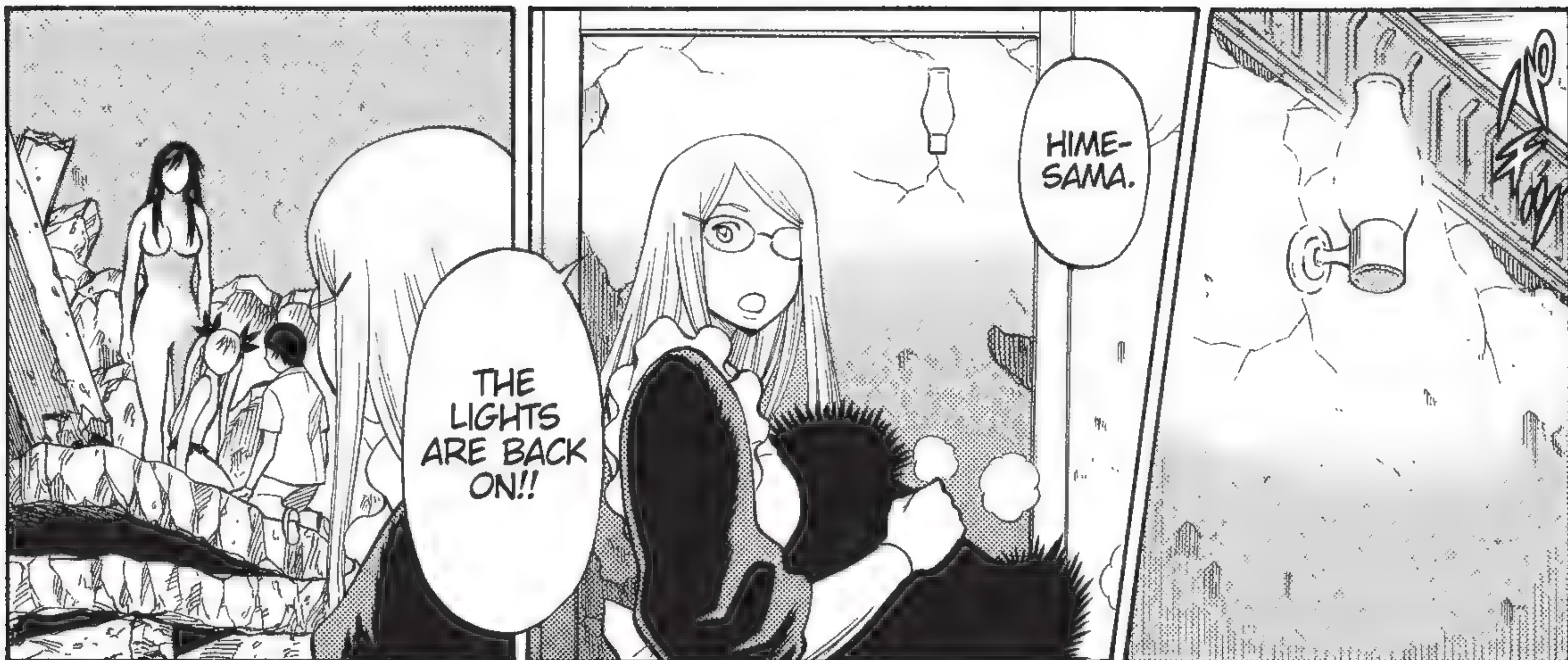
BACK-UP CIRCUIT ONLINE.

INCREASE POWER GENERATION RATIO FROM 75% TO 135%.

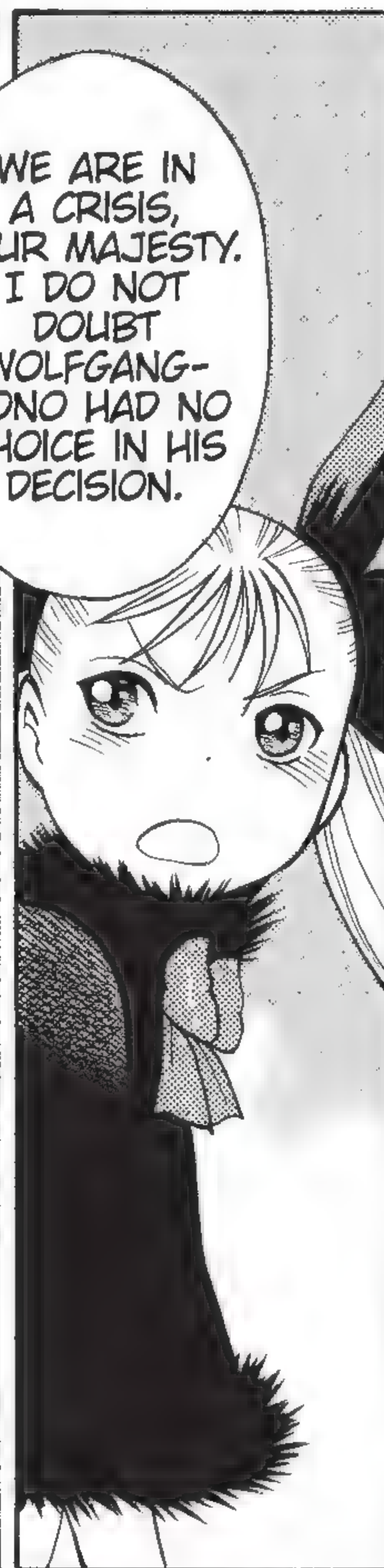
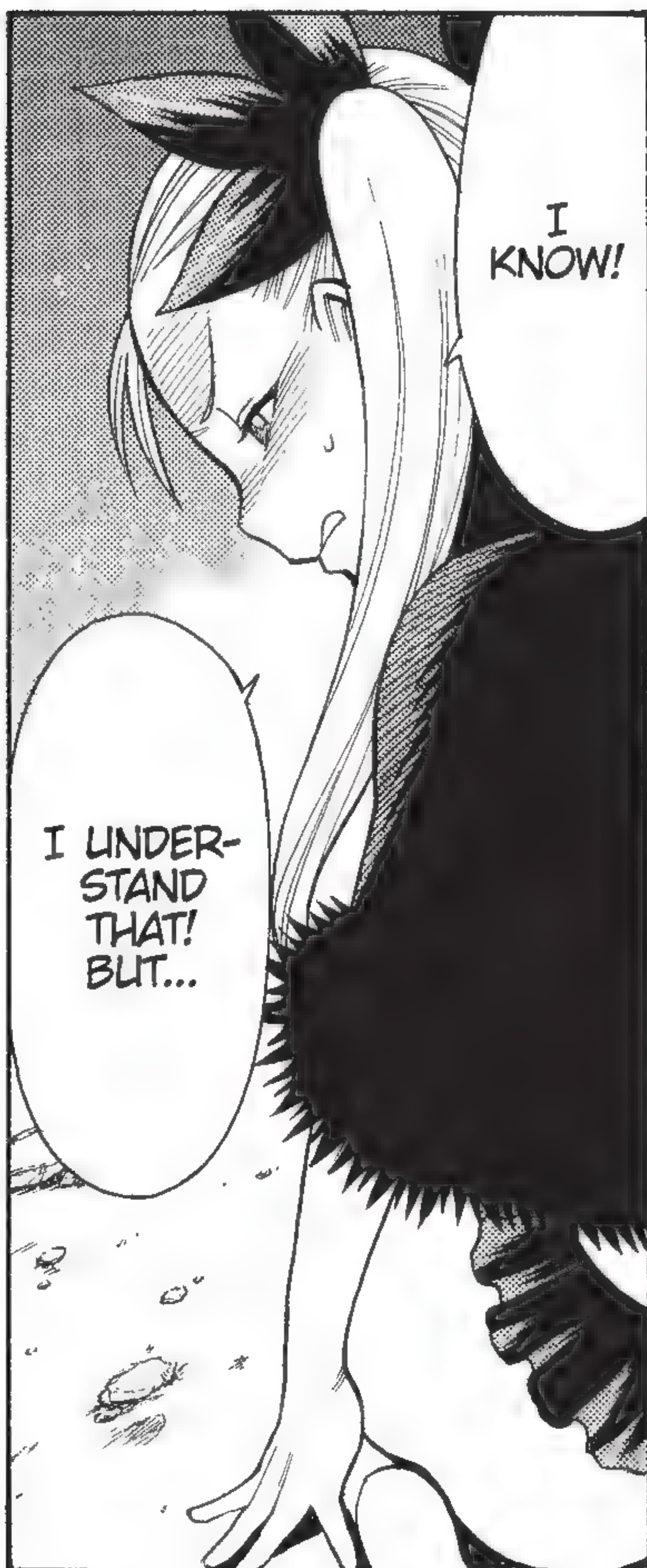
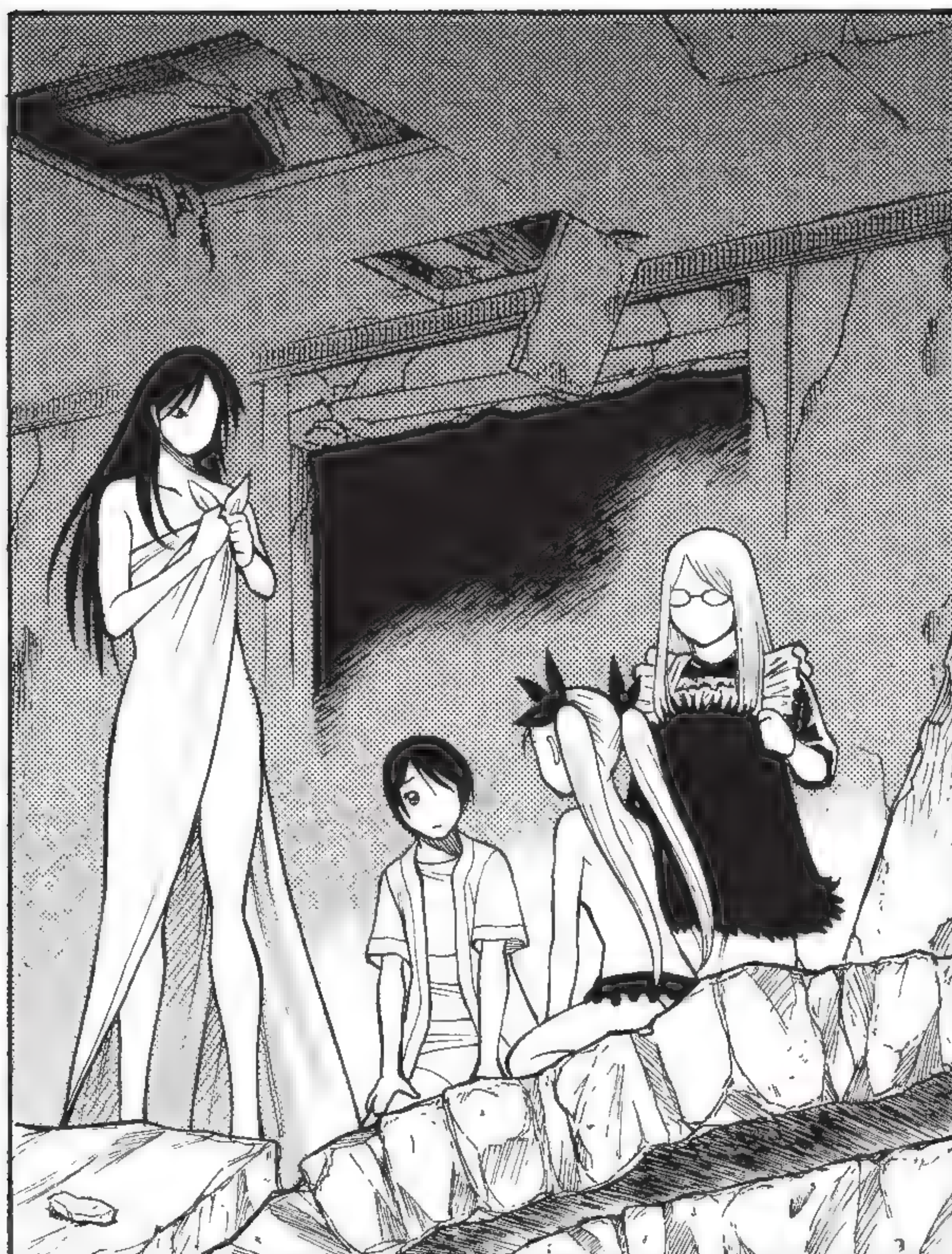
CRITICAL OPERATIONS WITHIN ACCEPTABLE PARAMETERS.

RESUME POWER SUPPLY TO BUND.









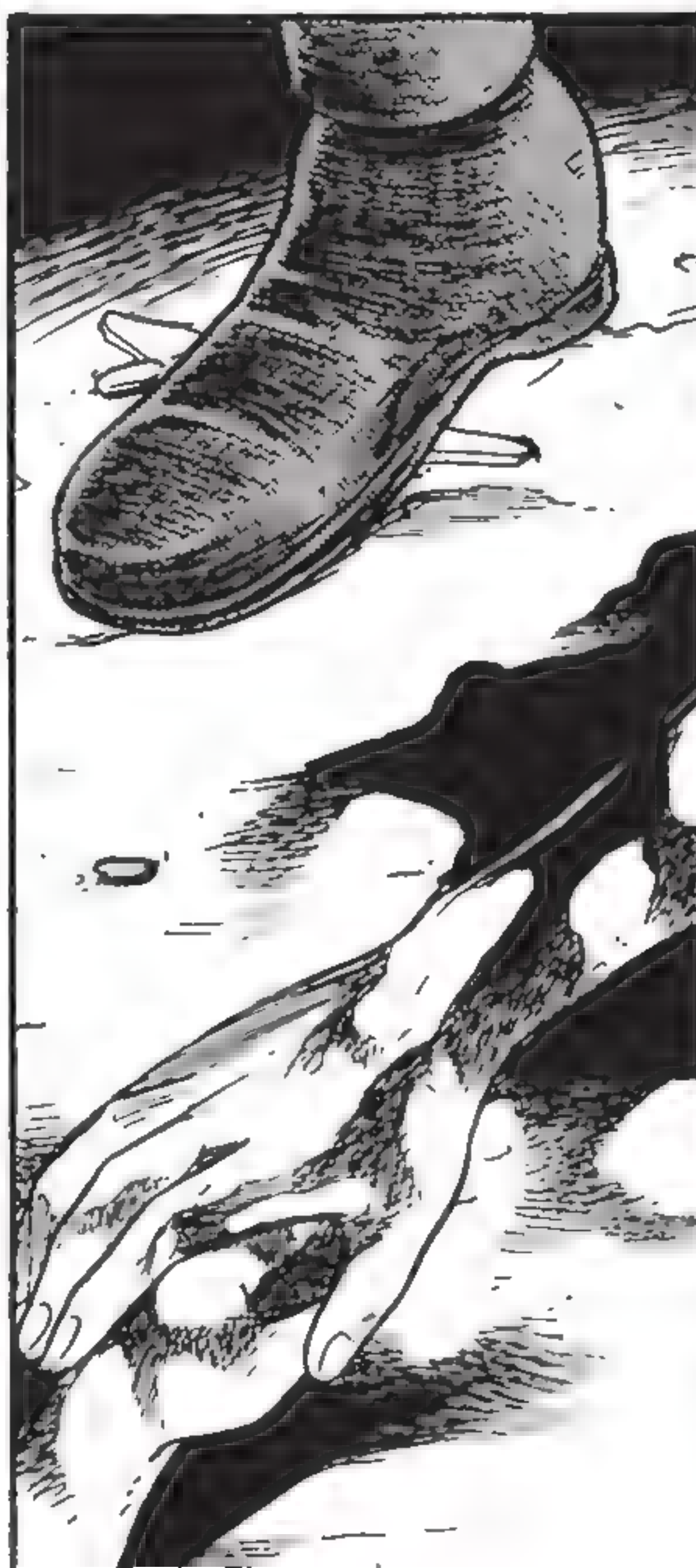
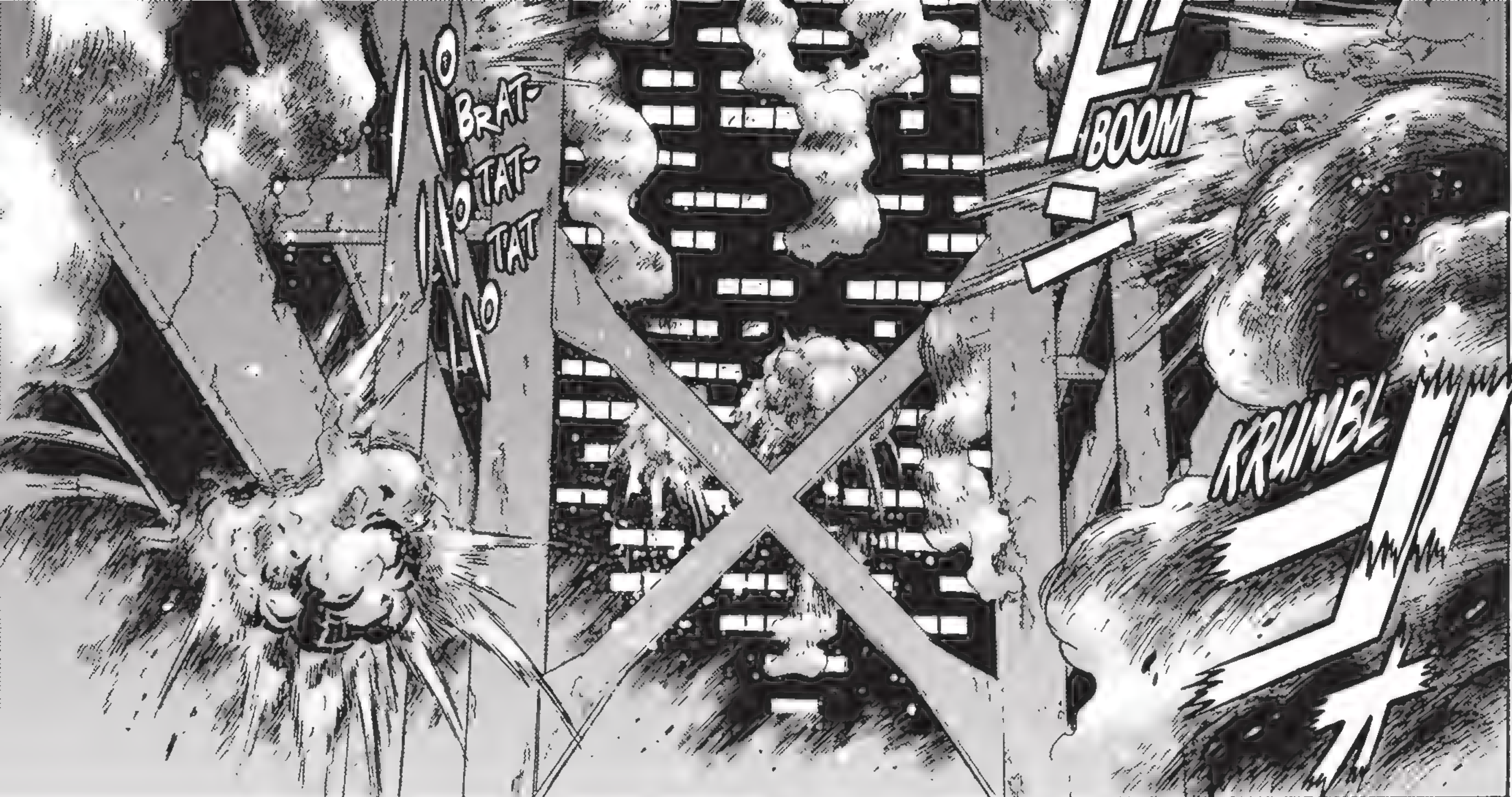














## Chapter 53: The Last to Come

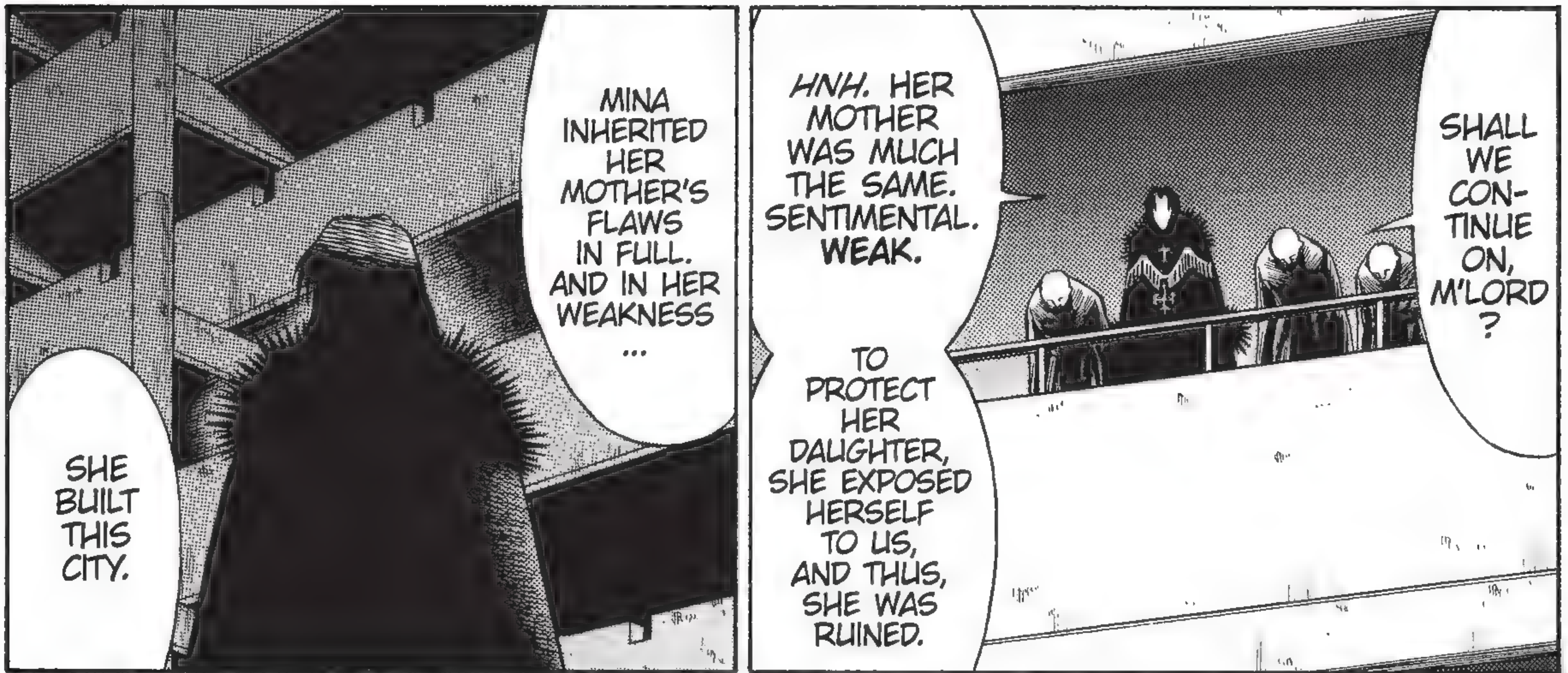
GOOD.  
THEN  
SHE WILL  
COME...

MINA  
IS  
SOFT,  
FOOL-  
ISH.

SHE  
WILL NOT  
BE ABLE  
TO LEAVE  
THE  
FANGLSS  
TO DIE.







SHE  
BUILT  
THIS  
CITY.

MINA  
INHERITED  
HER  
MOTHER'S  
FLAWS  
IN FULL.  
AND IN HER  
WEAKNESS  
...

HNV. HER  
MOTHER  
WAS MUCH  
THE SAME.  
SENTIMENTAL.  
WEAK.

TO  
PROTECT  
HER  
DAUGHTER,  
SHE EXPOSED  
HERSELF  
TO US,  
AND THUS,  
SHE WAS  
RUINED.

SHALL  
WE  
CON-  
TINUE  
ON,  
M'LORD  
?



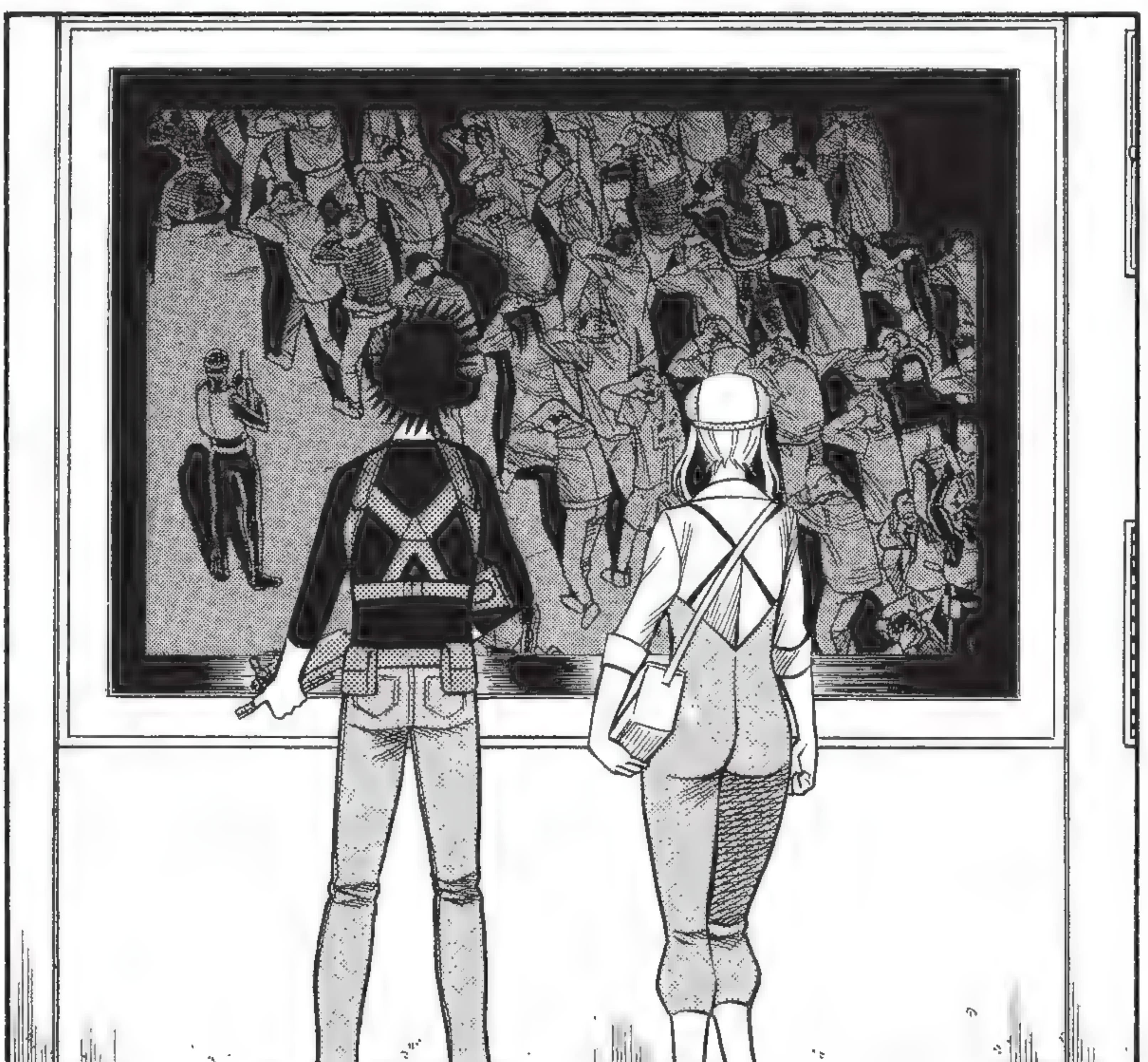
WORTHLESS  
CHattel SUCH  
AS THEM HAVE  
NO RIGHT  
TO EXIST!  
ONCE THIS  
MISERABLE CITY  
IS MINE, I SHALL  
TURN EVERY  
LAST ONE OF  
THEM TO DUST!

ALL FOR THESE  
FANGLESS...  
MAGGOTS WHO  
SPAT UPON THEIR  
ANCESTORS AND  
TURNED THEIR  
BACK ON THE  
GLORIOUS  
VAMPIRE RACE  
BY REMOVING  
THEIR OWN  
FANGS.



HUH...?  
WHERE'S  
THIS  
VIDEO  
FROM?

SOMEBODY  
MUST HAVE  
HACKED  
INTO THE  
BLIND'S  
CCTV.







I KNOW A  
SHORTCUT.  
IT'S CLOSE  
TO THE  
ROUTE I  
USED TO  
LEAVE THE  
CRADLE.

LEAD  
ON!

WE  
CAN  
GET IN  
FROM  
THERE.



AH...  
HOW  
HORRI-  
BLE!

THEY'RE  
ALL  
FANG-  
LESS...



WE'VE  
GOTTA  
GET IN  
THERE  
!!

THIS  
IS BAD!  
IF HIME-  
SAN SEES  
THIS, SHE  
WON'T  
BE ABLE  
TO SIT  
STILL!



YOUR  
PLAN,  
YOUR  
MAJES-  
TY?



BUT  
NOW  
HE  
DARES  
TO LAY  
HIS  
HANDS  
ON MY  
FANG-  
LESS!

NOT ONLY  
DOES HE  
FORCE ME  
TO TURN  
ON MY OWN  
SUBJECTS...



WHY  
...

THAT  
BAS-  
TARD  
!!





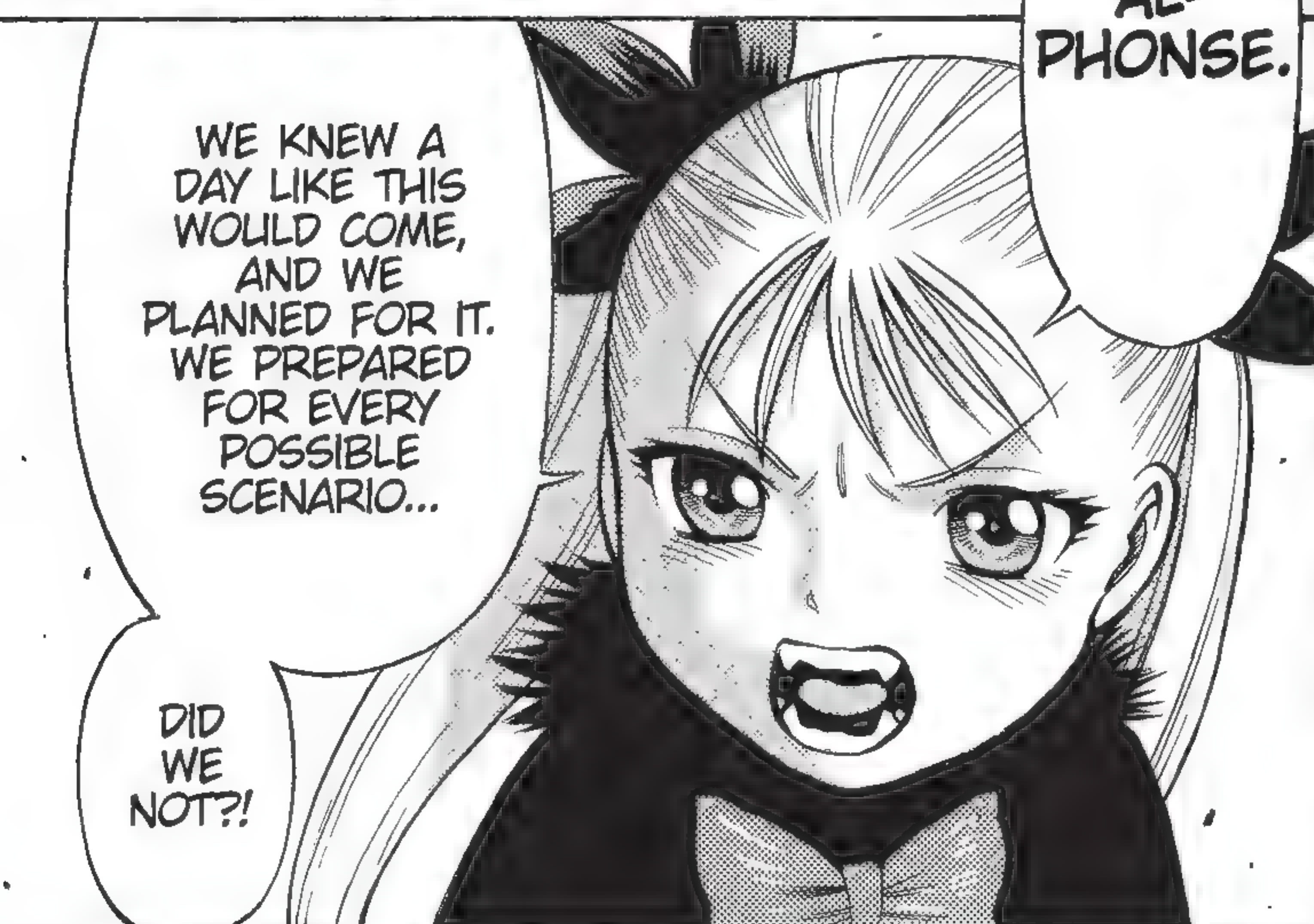
YOUR ANGER IS MOST JUSTIFIED, YOUR MAJESTY, BUT YOU ARE AWARE THIS IS NOTHING MORE THAN A HAM-HANDED ATTEMPT TO GOAD YOU INTO RASH ACTION, YES?

AL-PHONSE.



NEED YOU ASK?!

IF HE WANTS MY PRESENCE THAT BADLY, THEN HE SHALL HAVE IT, AND DAMN HIM FOR A FOOL!!



WE KNEW A DAY LIKE THIS WOULD COME, AND WE PLANNED FOR IT. WE PREPARED FOR EVERY POSSIBLE SCENARIO...

DID WE NOT?!



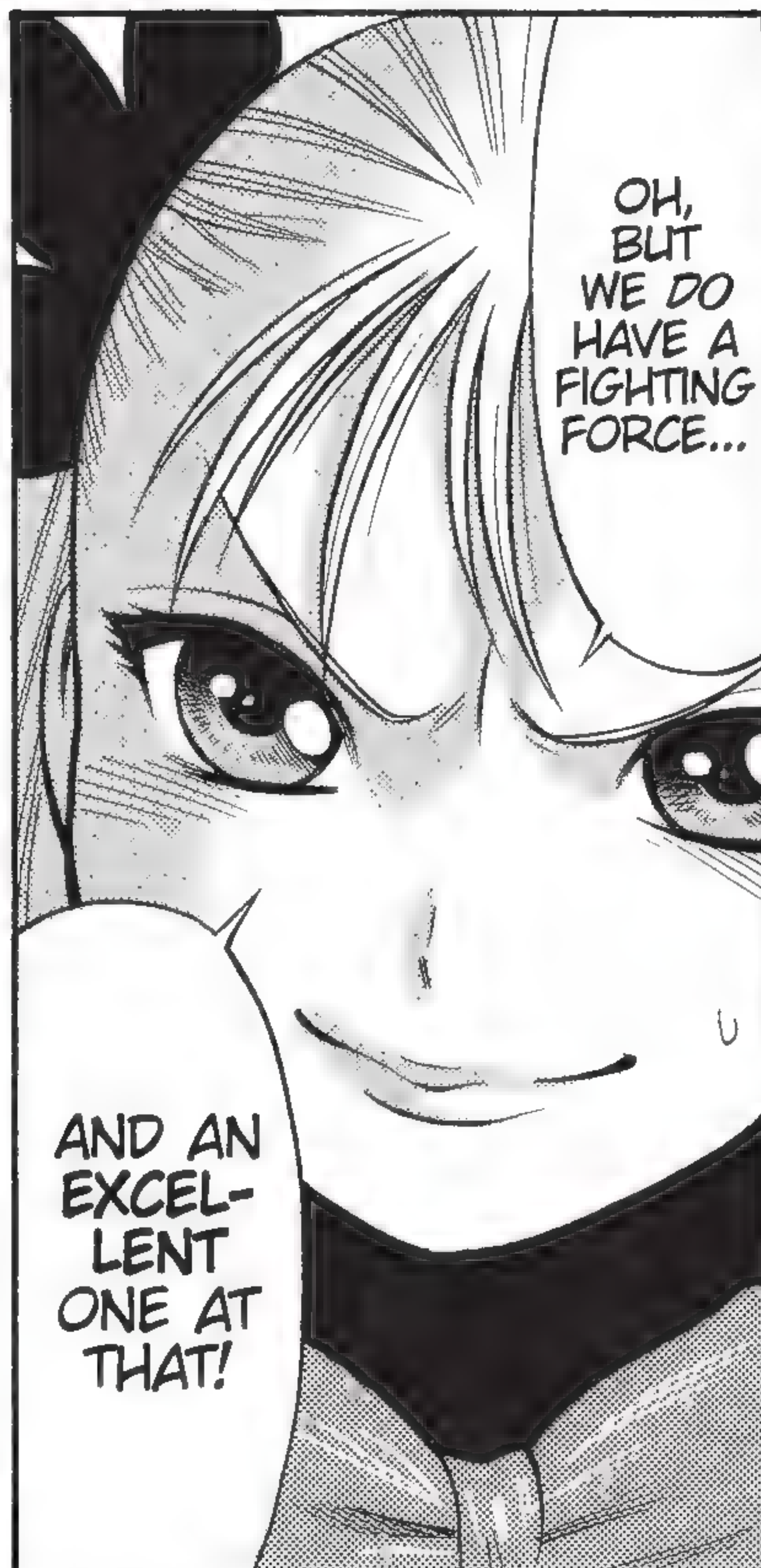
AH, GOOD.

WE BROUGHT EVERYBODY WHO ESCAPED, HIME-SAMA!

HIME-SAMA!

HIME-SAMA!

HIME-SAMA!



OH, BUT WE DO HAVE A FIGHTING FORCE...

AND AN EXCELLENT ONE AT THAT!

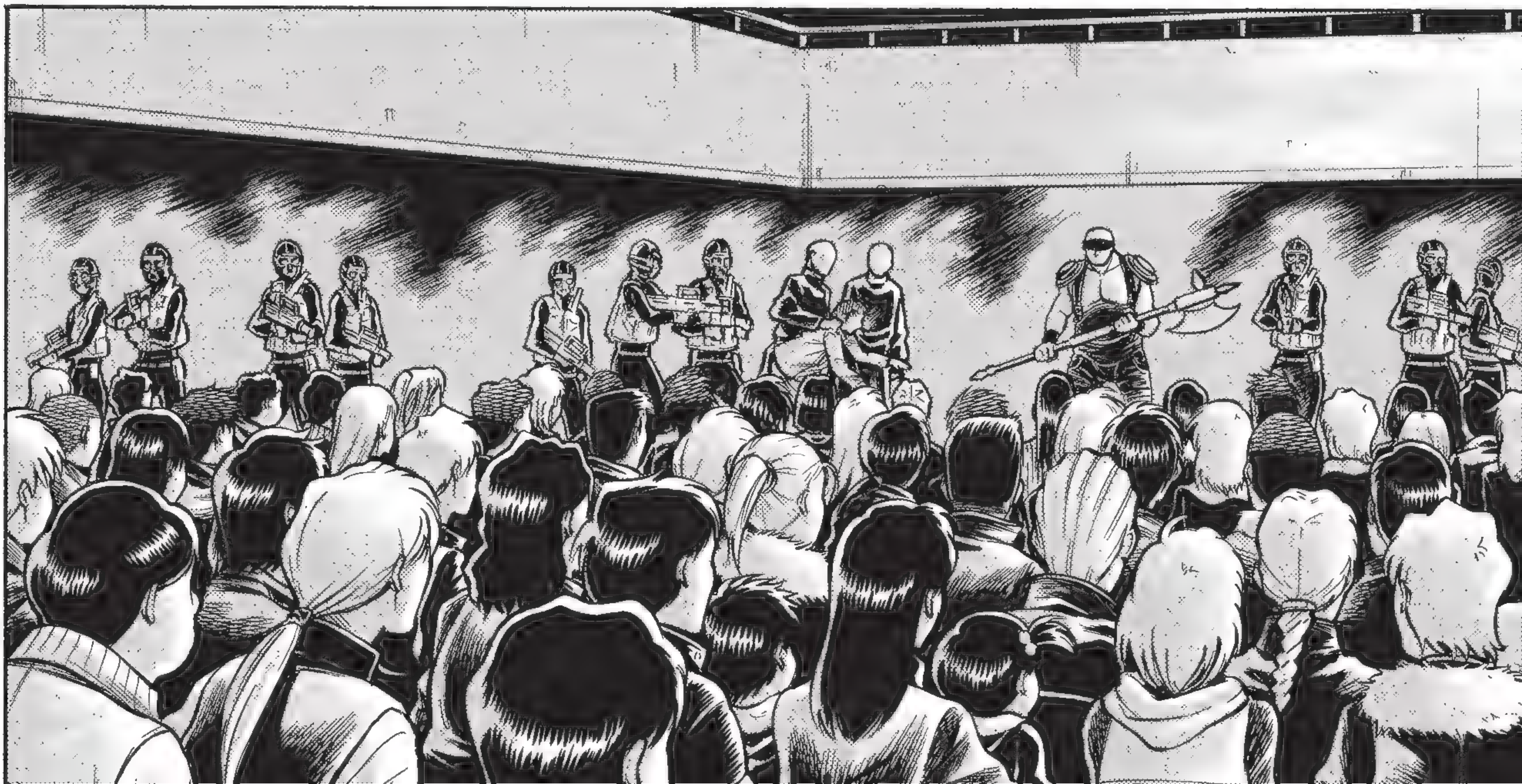
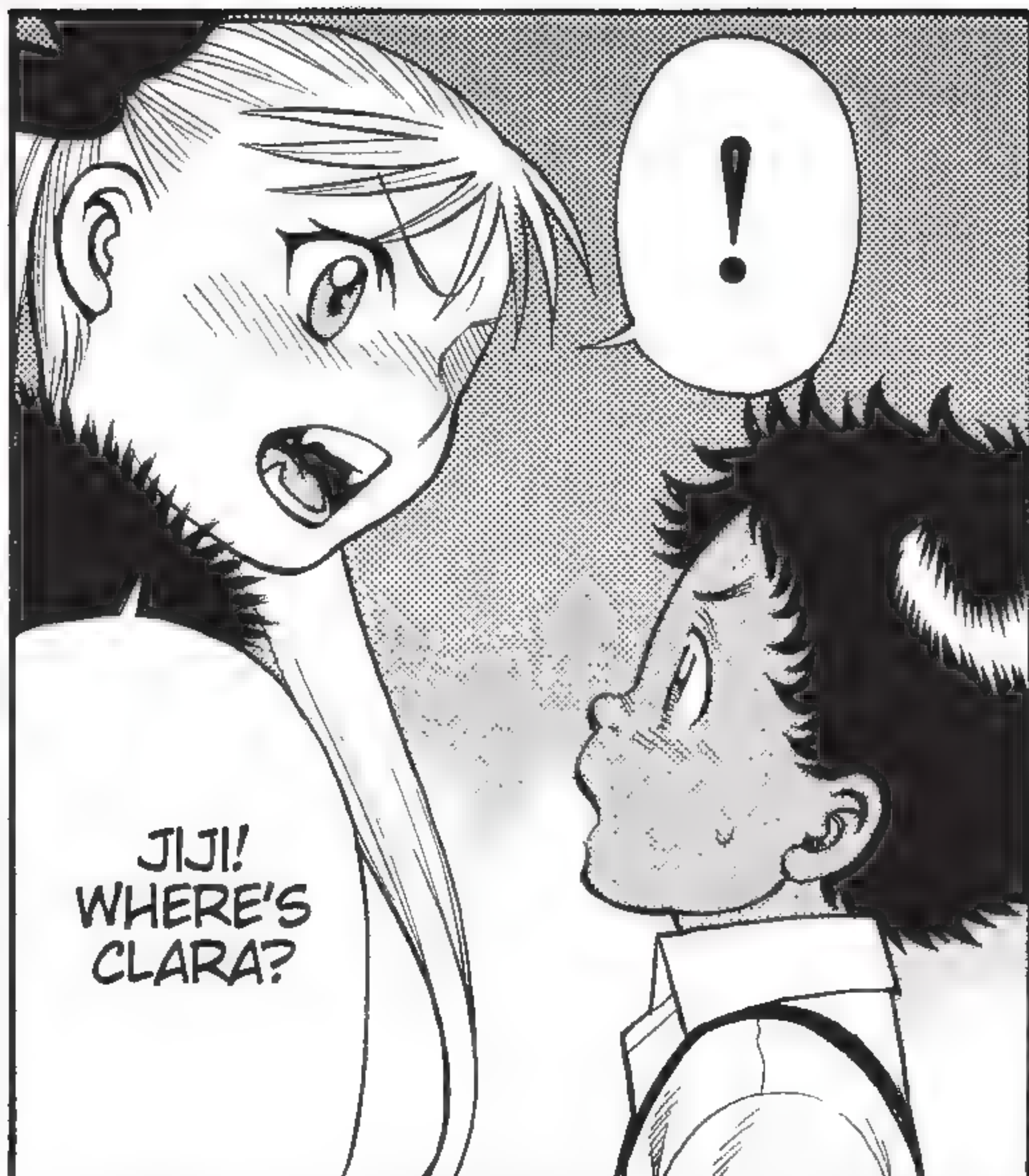
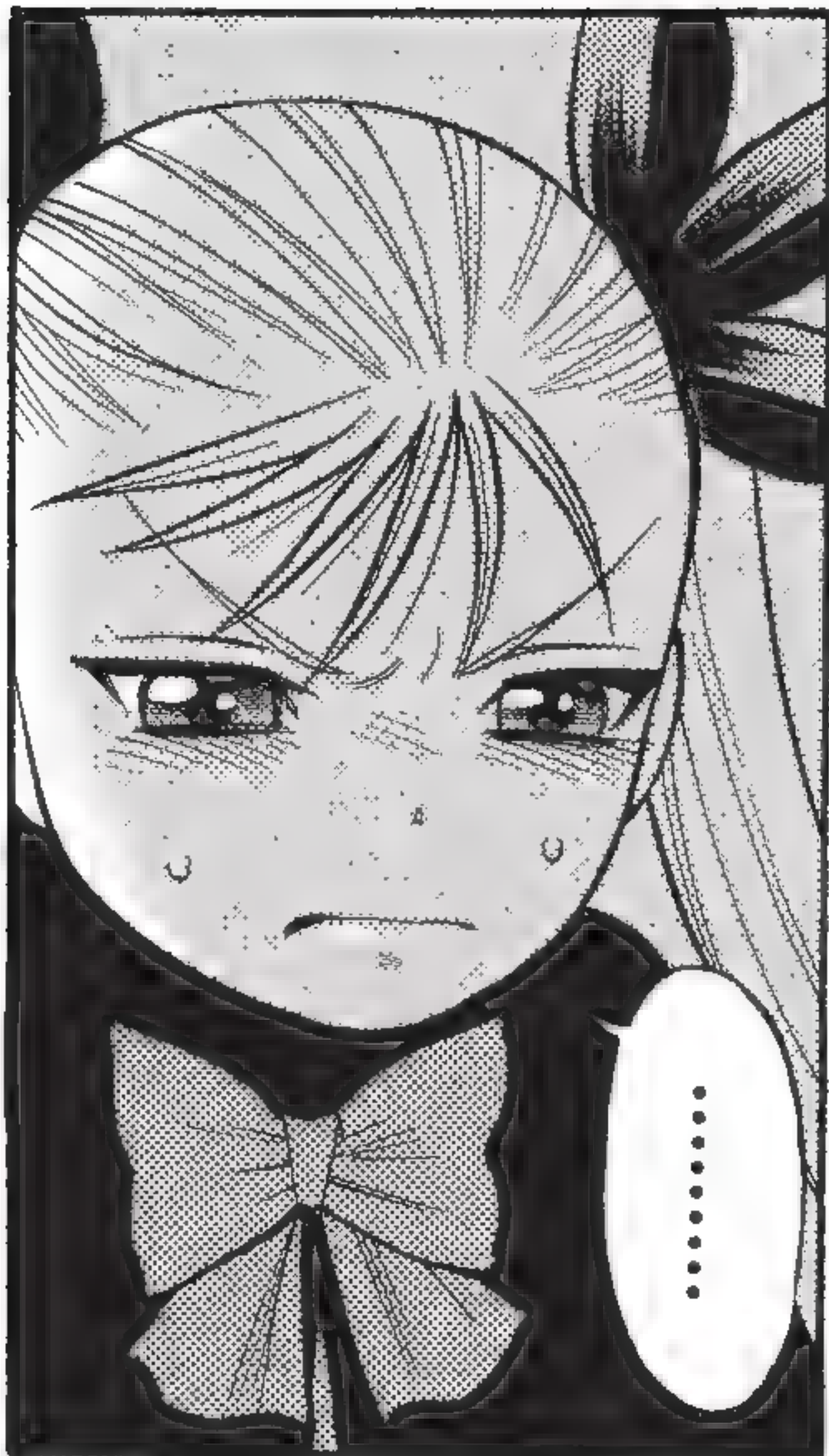


OF COURSE!

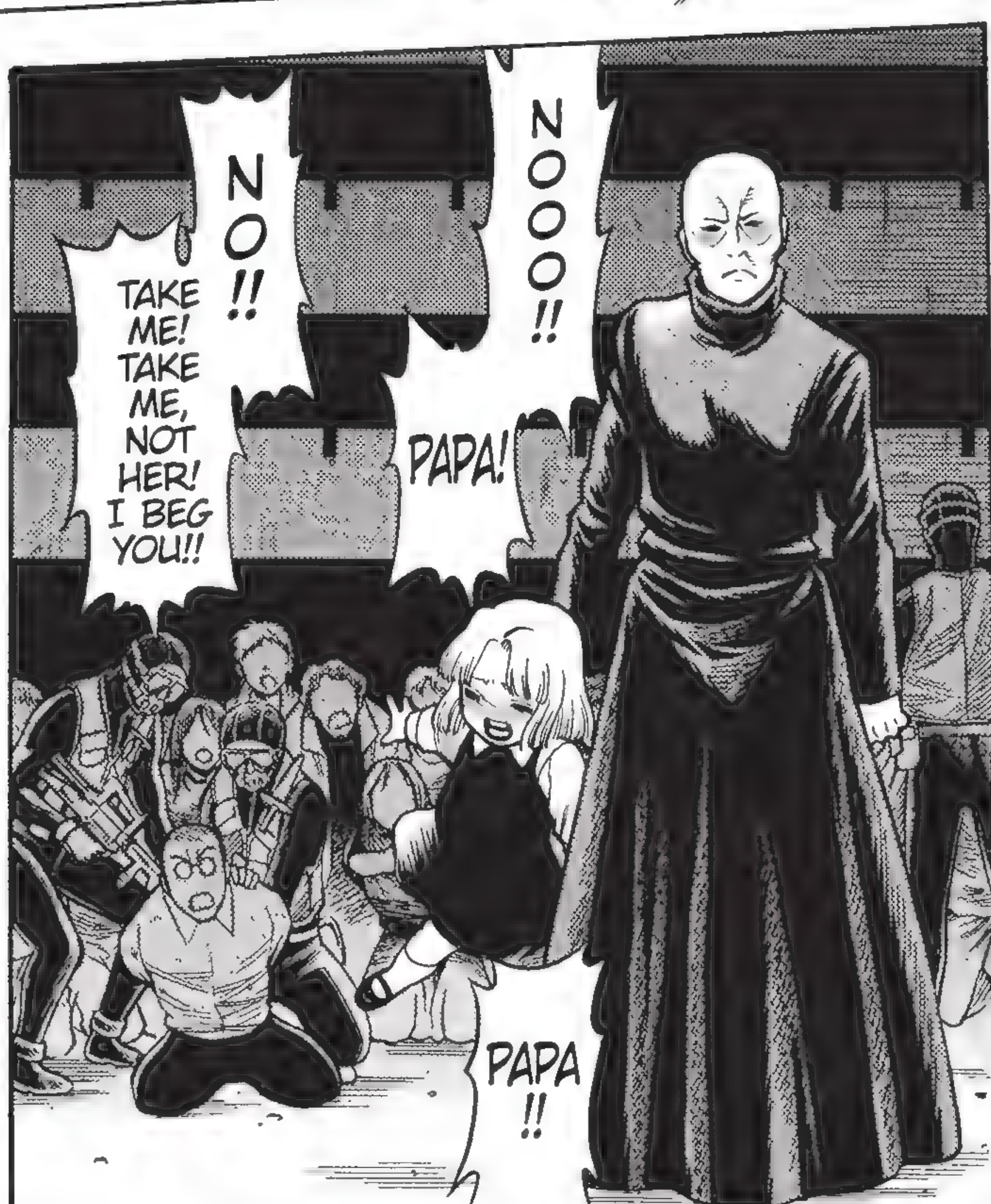
AT THIS MOMENT, IVANOVIC'S TROOPS ARE OCCUPYING THE ENTIRETY OF BEOWULF'S ATTENTION.

BUT THOSE PLANS WERE MADE ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT WE WOULD HAVE ACCESS TO A VIABLE, FULLY-TRAINED FIGHTING FORCE.













CLARA!!

CLARA,  
LOOK  
AT PAPA,  
HONEY!  
LOOK  
AT ME!!



AAH  
...!

AAAH!!

SHING

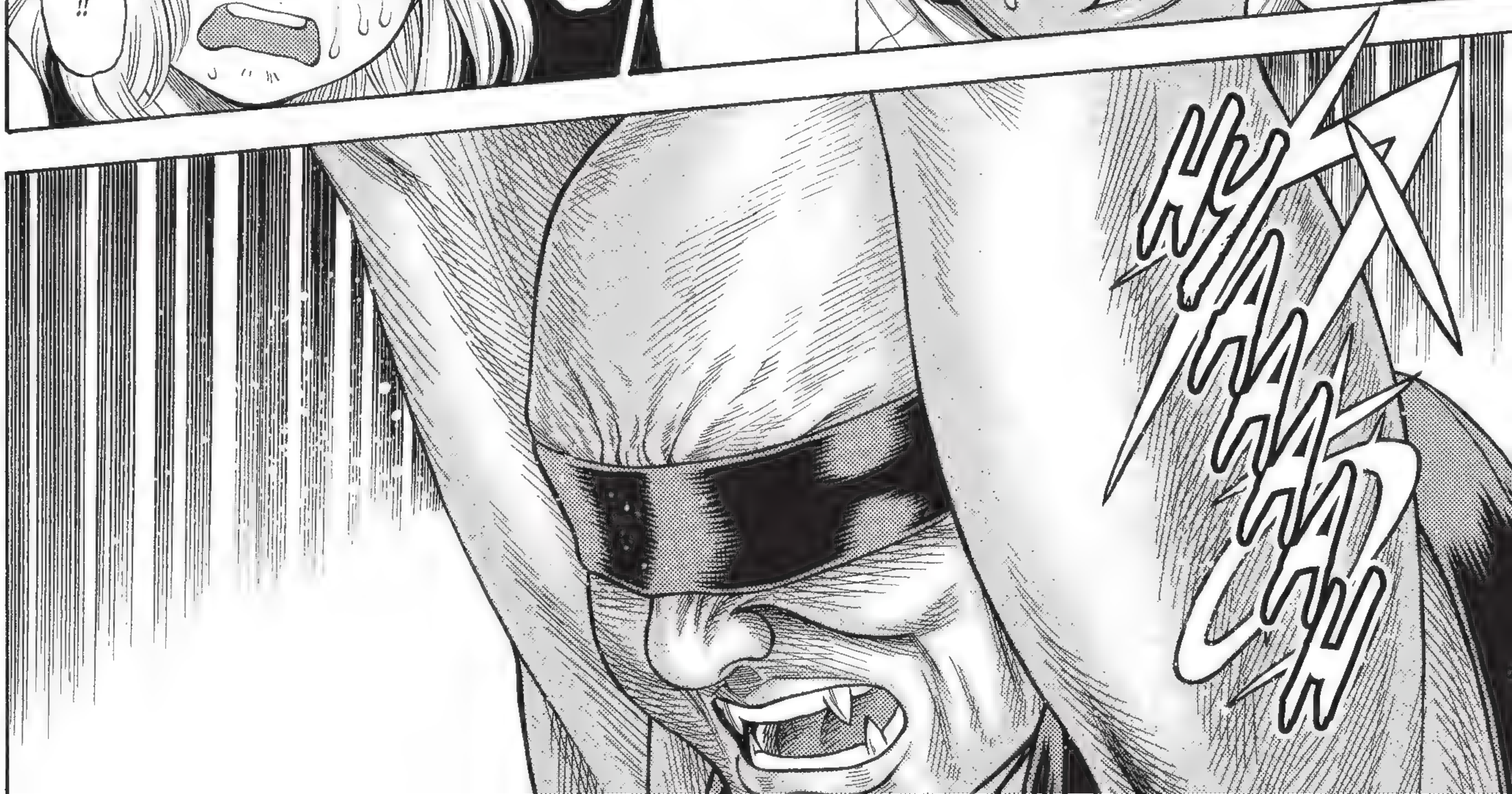


PA-  
PAAAAA  
!!

PA-  
PAAA  
...!

PAPA...  
WILL  
BE WITH  
YOU  
SOON.

YOU'RE  
NOT  
ALONE,  
CLARA...



HYAH  
HYAH  
HYAH  
HYAH







HEH  
HEH  
...

IF YOU  
WANT THOSE  
WORMS YOU  
CALL THE  
FANGLSS  
TO LIVE,  
YOU WILL  
SUBMIT  
YOURSELF  
TO ME!

WHAT  
AN  
ADMIRA-  
BLE  
SPIRIT,  
MINA.

NOW  
WHAT  
DO YOU  
WANT,  
YOU  
HIDEOUS,  
POCK-  
MARKED  
OLD  
CORPSE?!

YOU  
CALLED,  
IVANOVIC.  
I  
CAME!!

PSHHHH

PSH

DON'T  
MAKE  
ME  
LAUGH.

I DOUBT  
YOUR  
SHRIVELED,  
WASTED  
BODY COULD  
EVEN RISE  
TO THE  
OCCASION.

SSHHHH

AFTER,  
OF COURSE,  
I HAVE  
THOROUGHLY  
ENJOYED  
YOUR  
YOUNGER  
BODY.

YOUR  
SECRET  
IS HIDDEN  
NO  
LONGER,  
GIRL...

YOUR  
TRUE FORM  
IS A  
RIPE AND  
FITTING  
VESSEL  
FOR MY  
SEED.





YOU SHALL  
REGRET  
THOSE  
WORDS  
ONCE I  
HAVE YOU  
IN MY  
BED-  
CHAMBER!!

WATCH  
YOUR  
INSO-  
LENT  
MOUTH,  
CHILD!



MY  
LORD  
!!

LORD  
IVANOVIC  
!!



WAP

KLANK









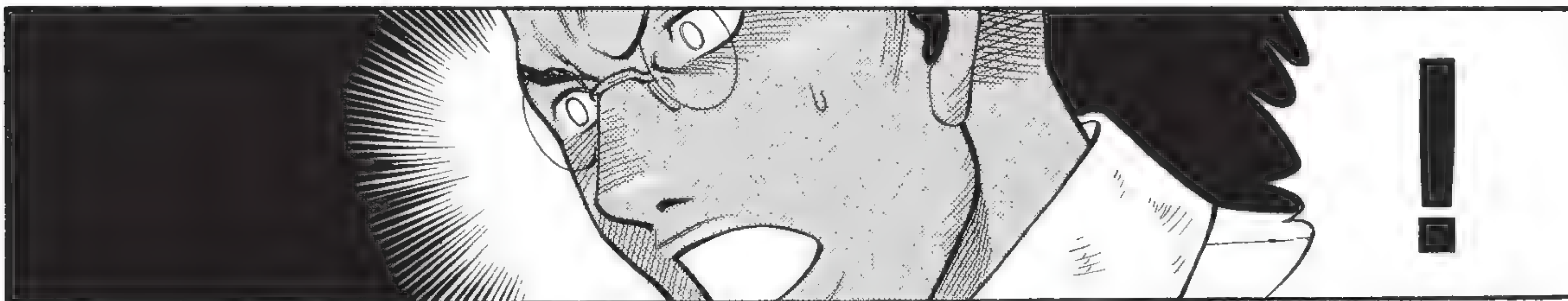


HIME-SAMA  
SAID TO  
"DROP  
THE  
LADDER!"



HURRY!  
RUN!!

TO  
THE  
TOP  
FLOOR!

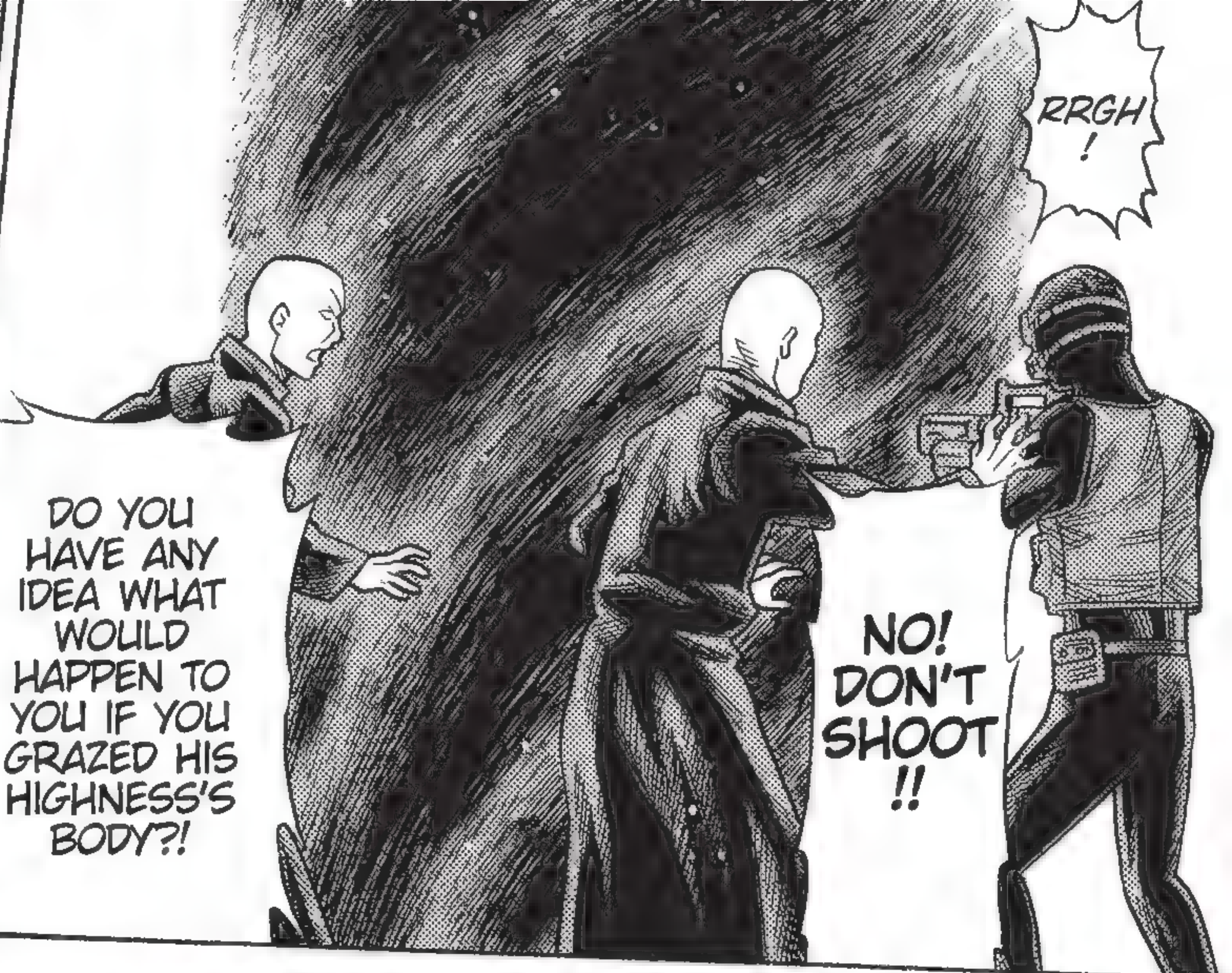


DON'T  
CLUMP  
TOGETH-  
ER!!

SPREAD  
OUT AND  
CONFUSE  
THEM!  
WE MUST  
KEEP  
THEIR  
ATTENTION  
ON US!!







DO YOU  
HAVE ANY  
IDEA WHAT  
WOULD  
HAPPEN TO  
YOU IF YOU  
GRAZED HIS  
HIGHNESS'S  
BODY?!

NO!  
DON'T  
SHOOT  
!!



YOU  
DARE  
TO LAY  
HANDS  
ON  
YOUR  
BETTER  
?!

MISER-  
ABLE  
WHORE!



GAH  
...!

NGK  
!



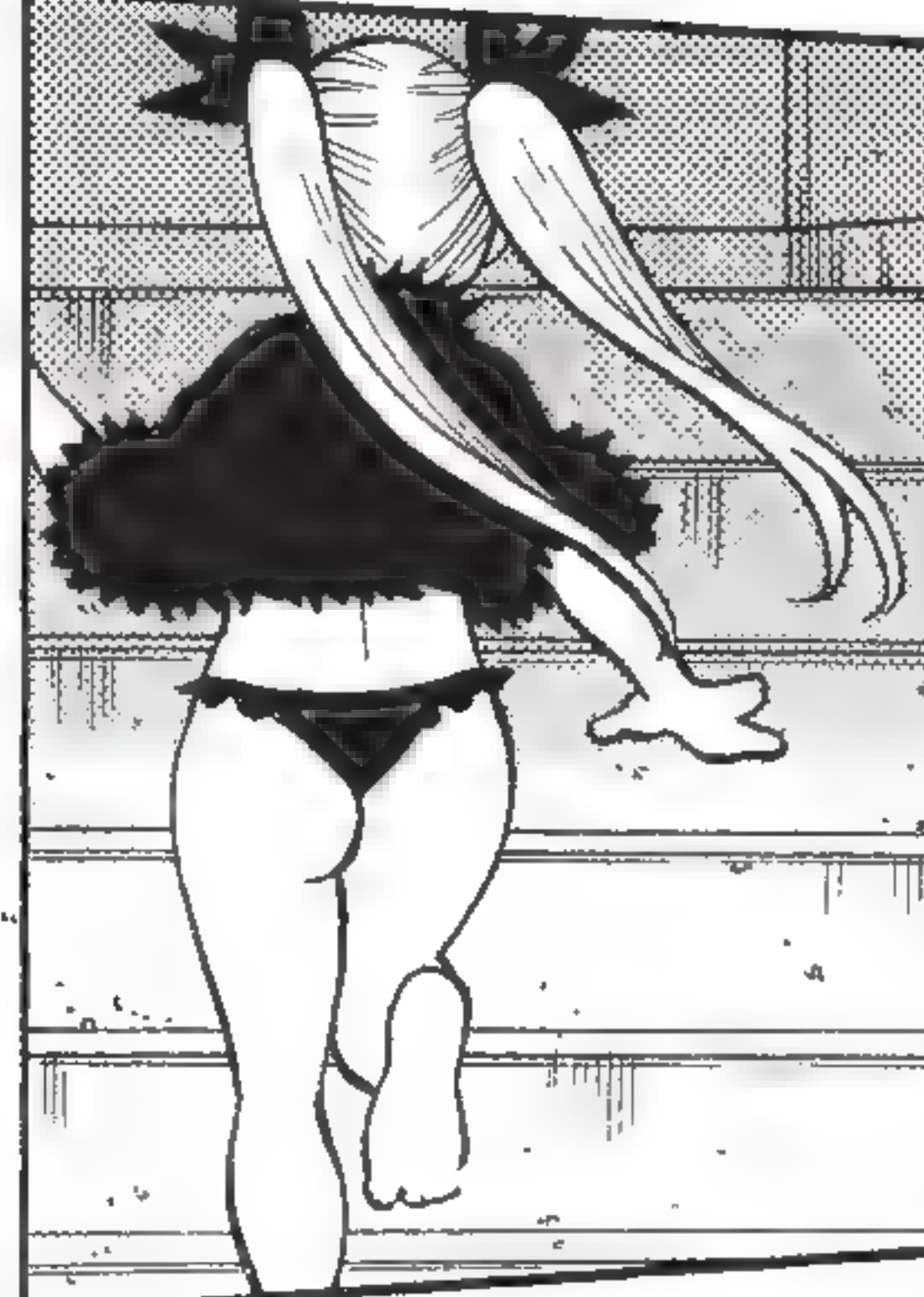
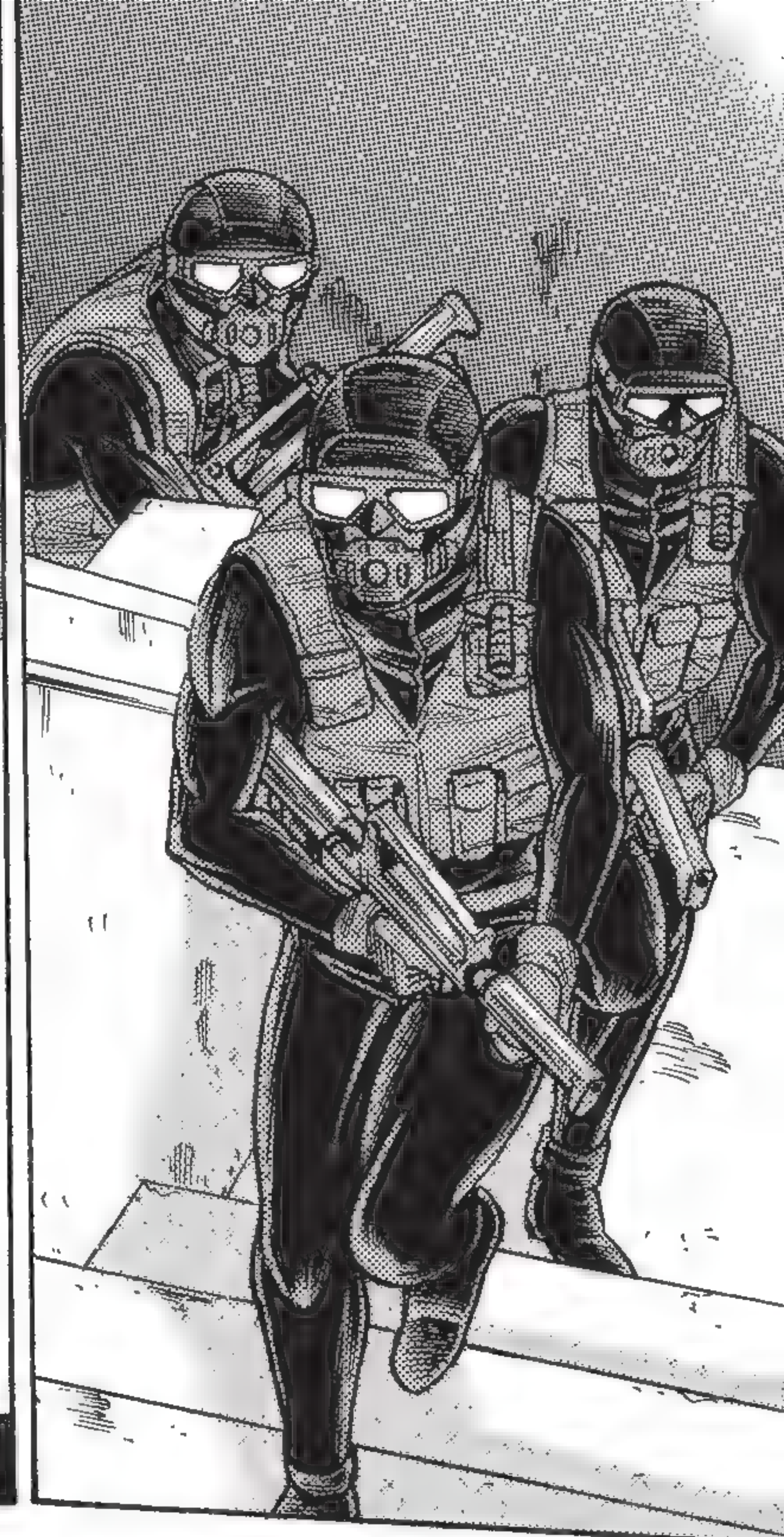
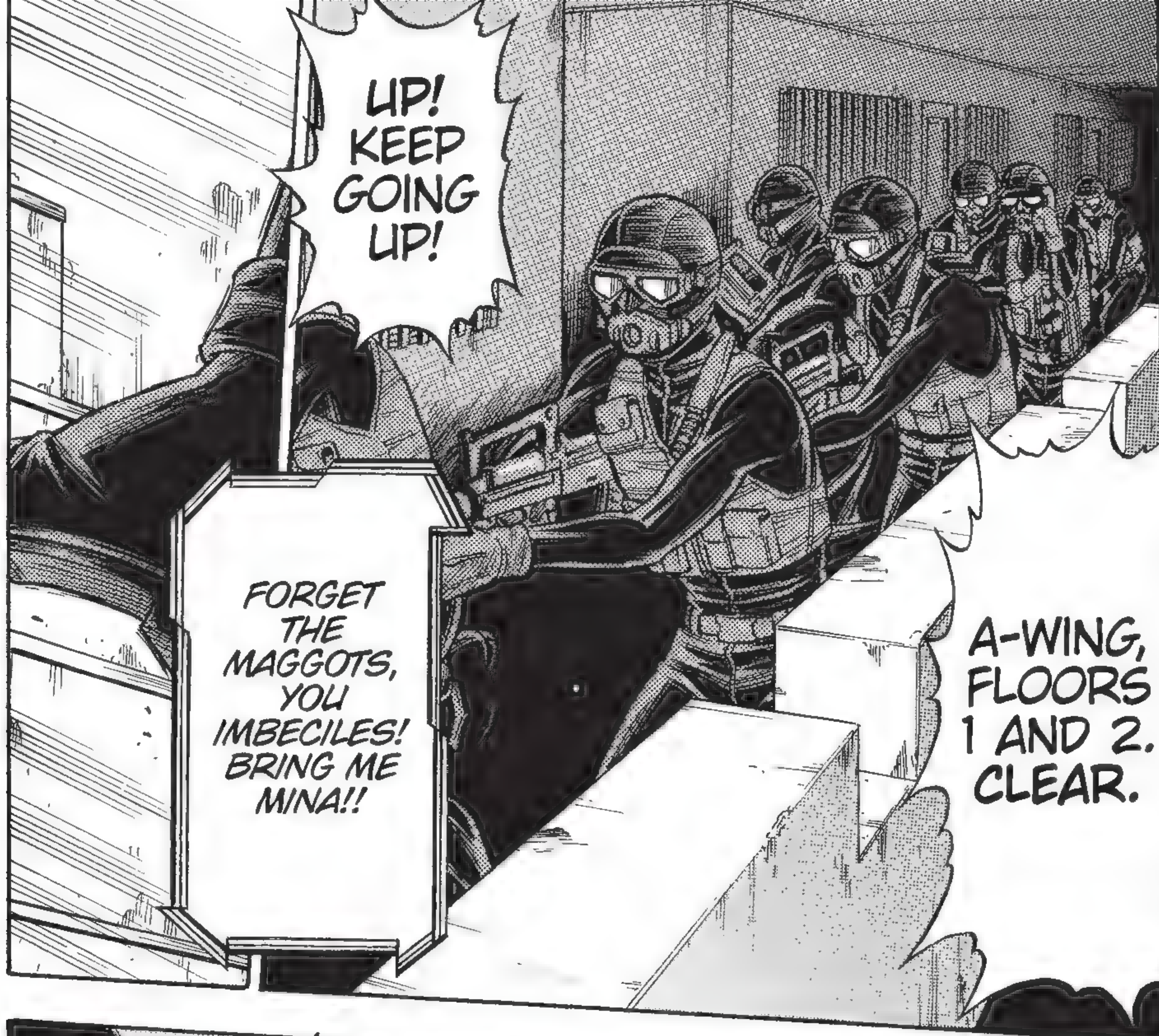
VERA!







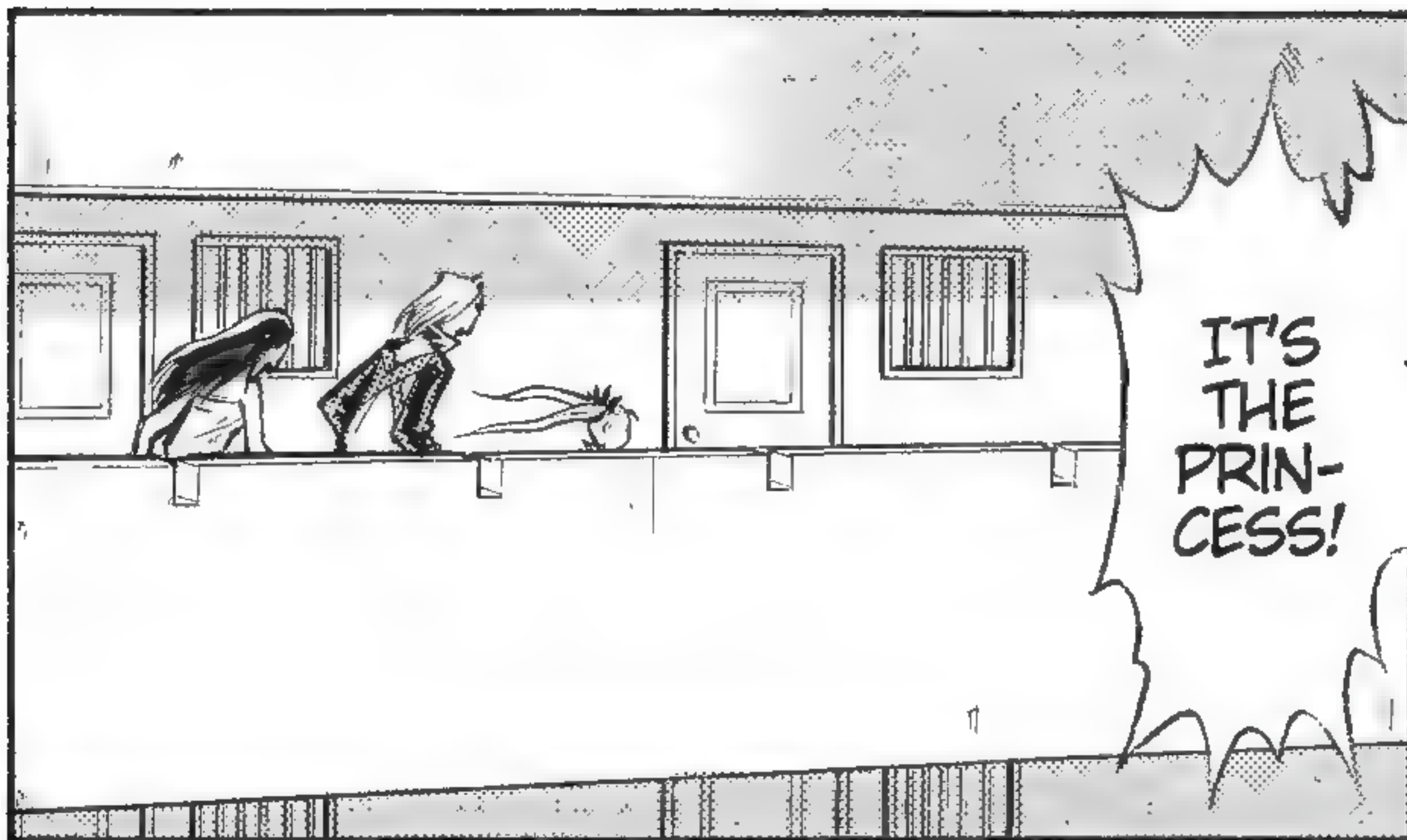






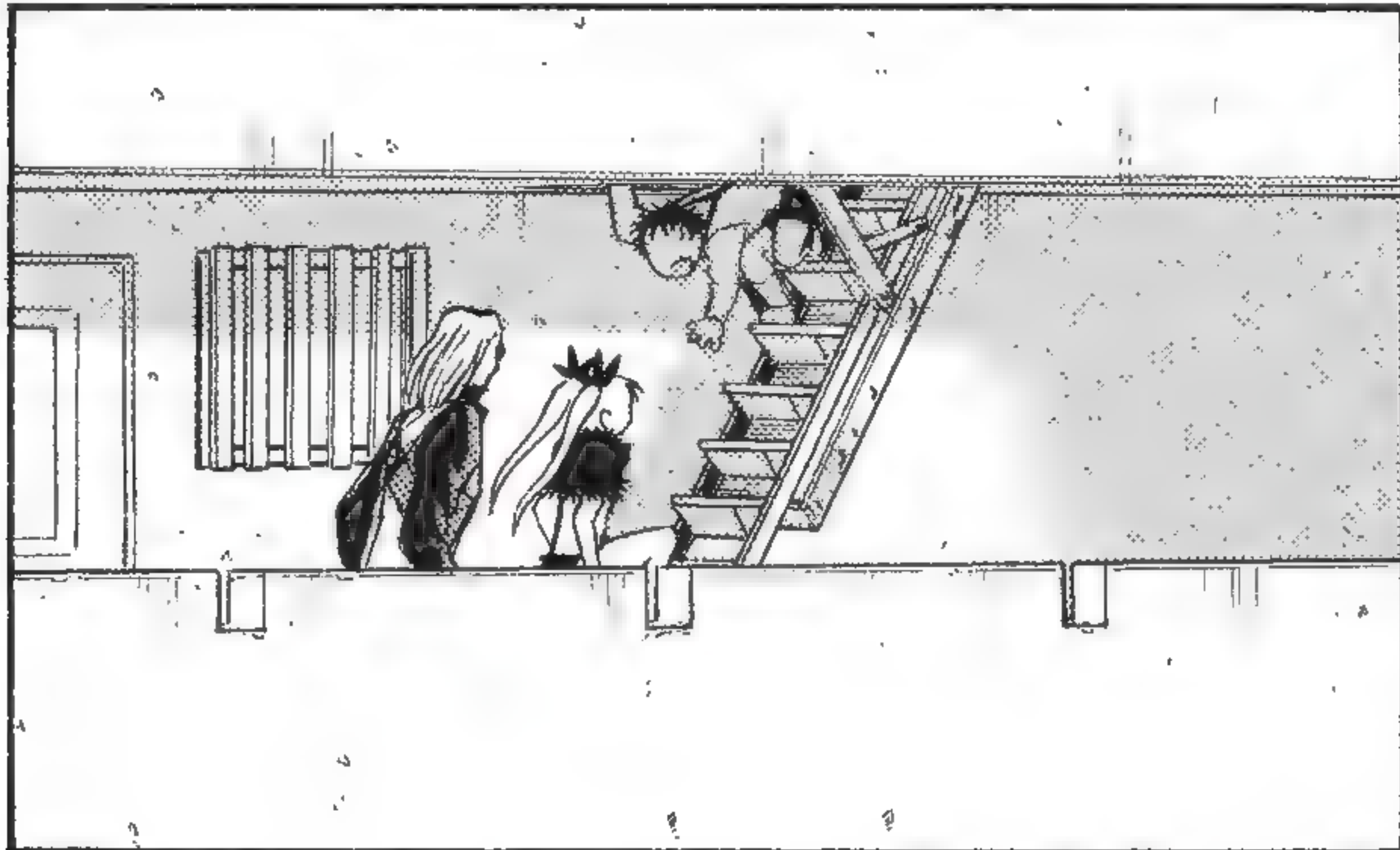






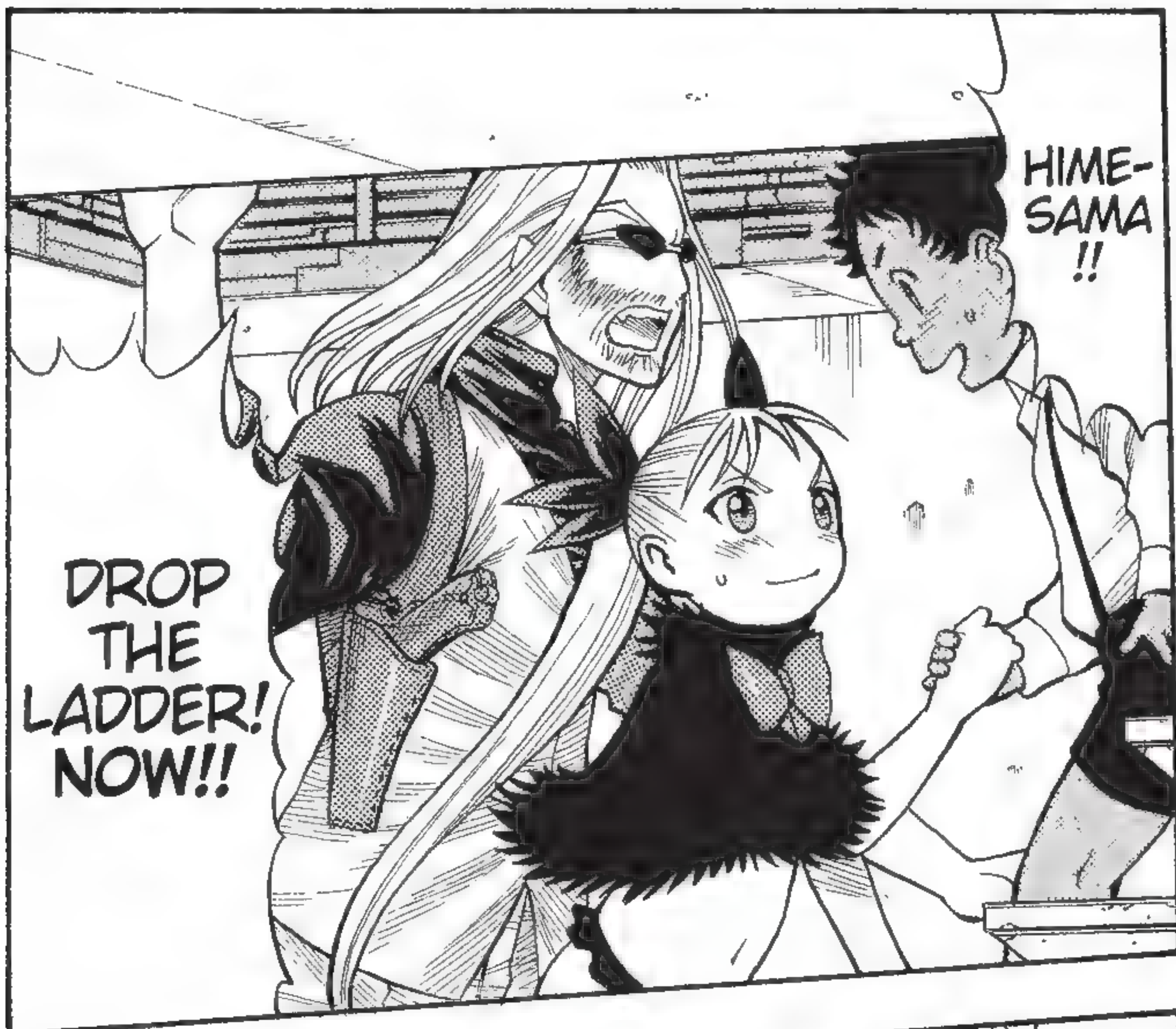
IT'S THE PRINCESS!

LOOK! OVER THERE!



B-WING, ALL CLEAR. NO SIGN OF THEM ANYWHERE!

WHERE THE HELL DID ALL OF THEM DISAPPEAR TO...?



HIME-SAMA!!

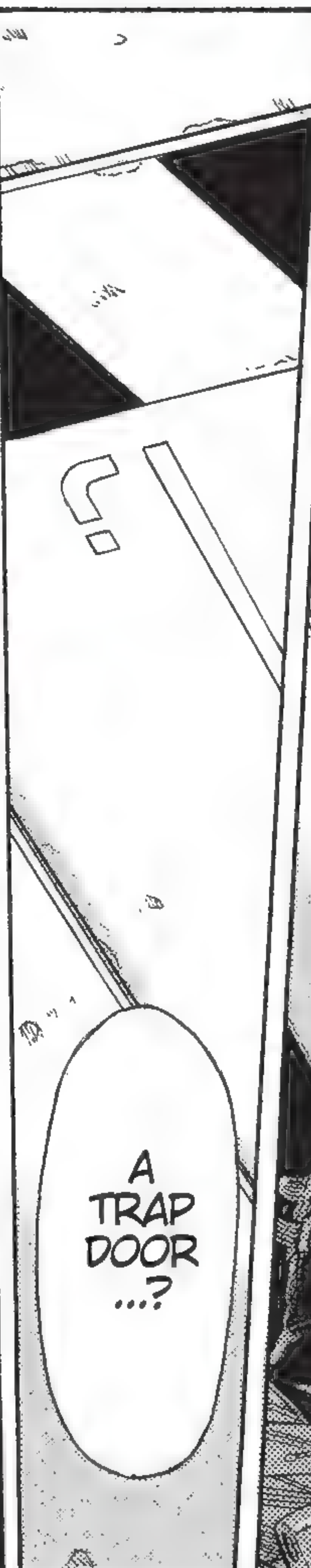
DROP THE LADDER! NOW!!



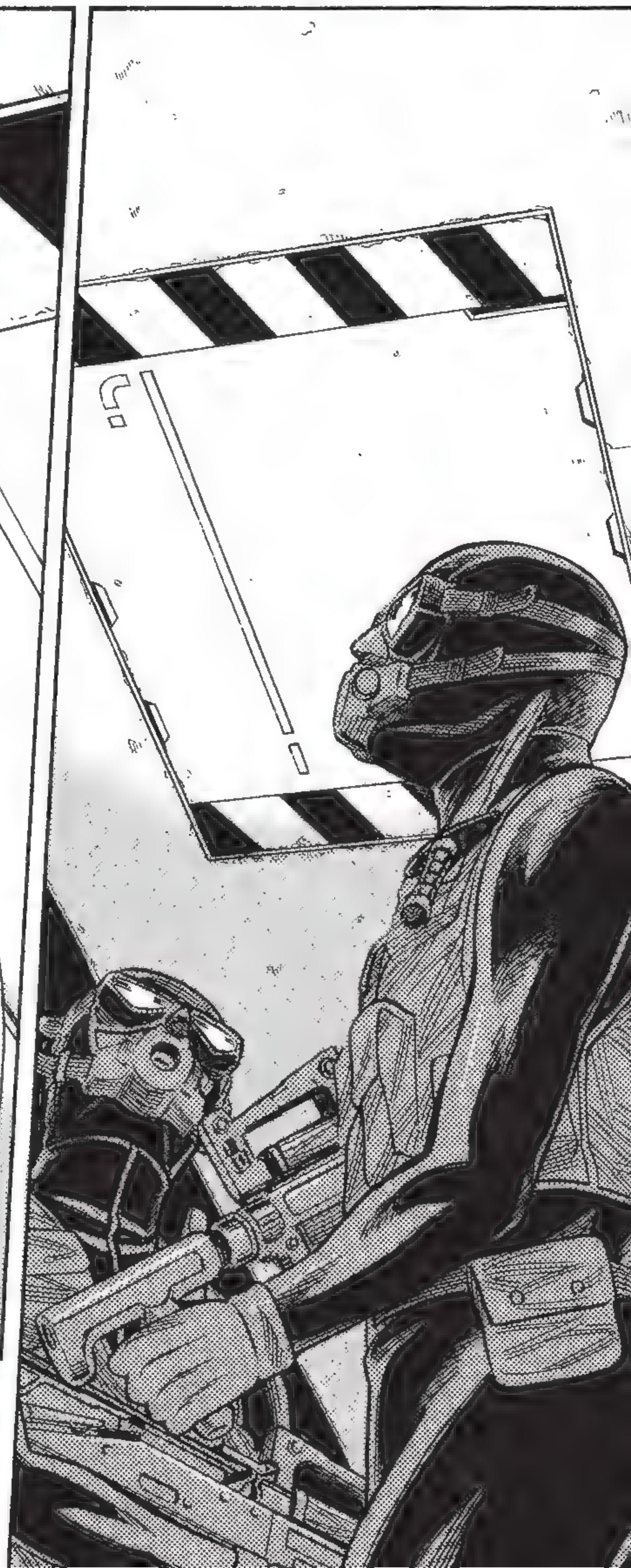
HE'LL BE FINE!

DO IT!!

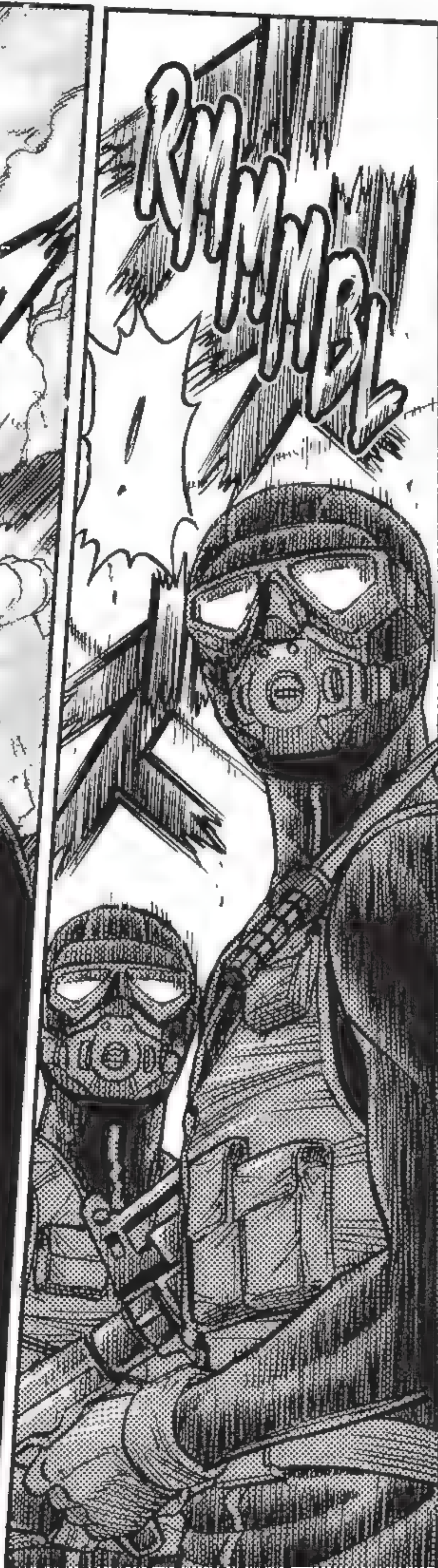
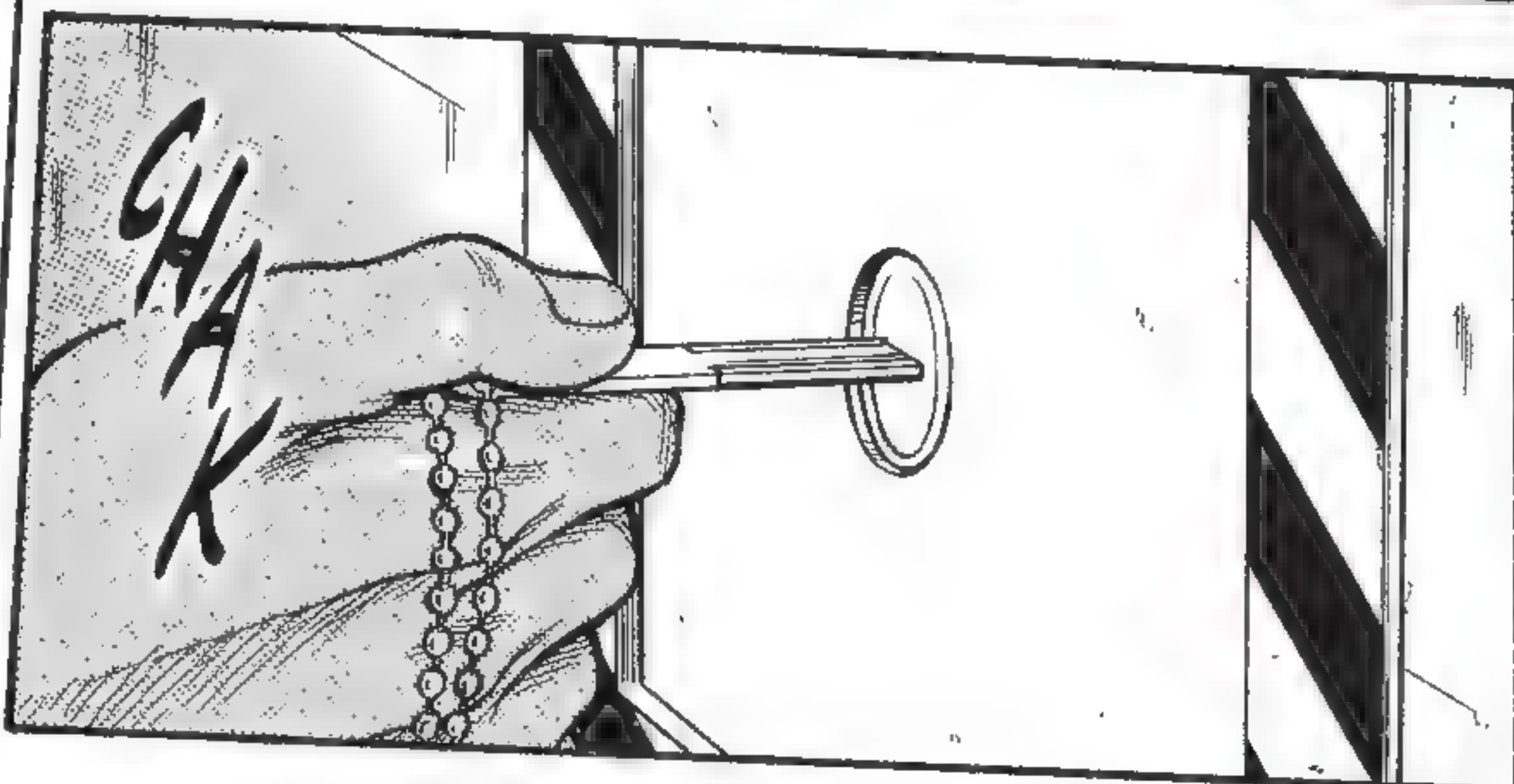
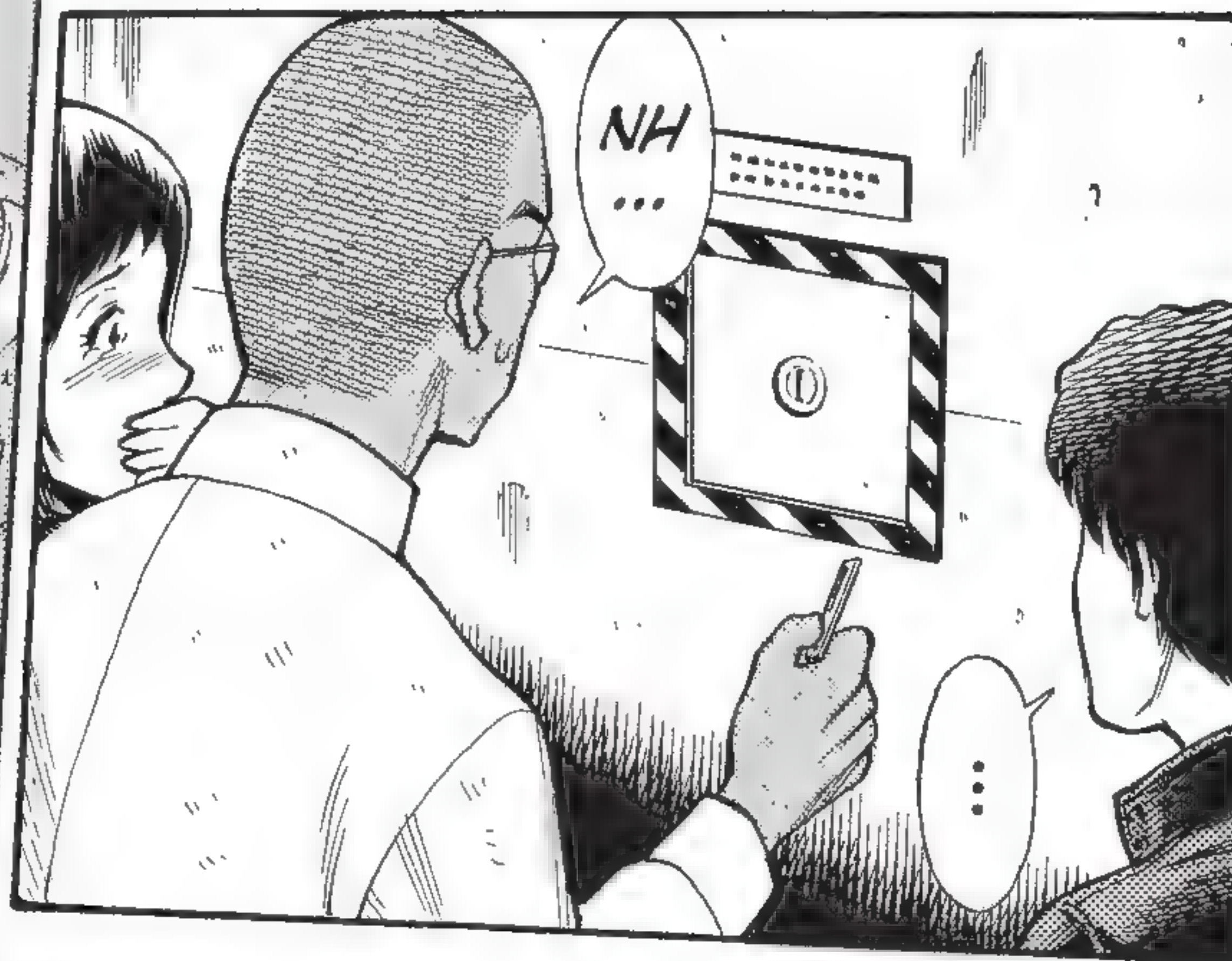
BUT AKIRA IS STILL OUT THERE!!



A TRAP DOOR ...?









AKIRA!

JUMP!!!







THE  
RIGHT TO  
REBUILD  
BELONGS  
ONLY TO  
THOSE  
WHO  
FIGHT  
AND  
SURVIVE!

AND  
SURVIVE  
WE WILL!  
IVANOVIC  
SHALL  
BE DE-  
STROYED  
BY OUR  
HAND!!



OUR  
HOUSE  
...

IT'S  
ALL  
GONE...

RMB  
RMB  
RMB



WE CAN  
REBUILD  
IT, AGAIN  
AND  
AGAIN...  
AS MANY  
TIMES AS  
WE NEED  
TO.

BUT  
ONLY  
AS  
LONG  
AS WE  
ARE  
ALIVE!



ABOUT THAT,  
NATASHA-SAN  
TOLD ME A  
PLAN THAT  
JUST MIGHT  
WORK.



FWOOO





THAT  
...  
LITTLE  
...

BITCH  
....!



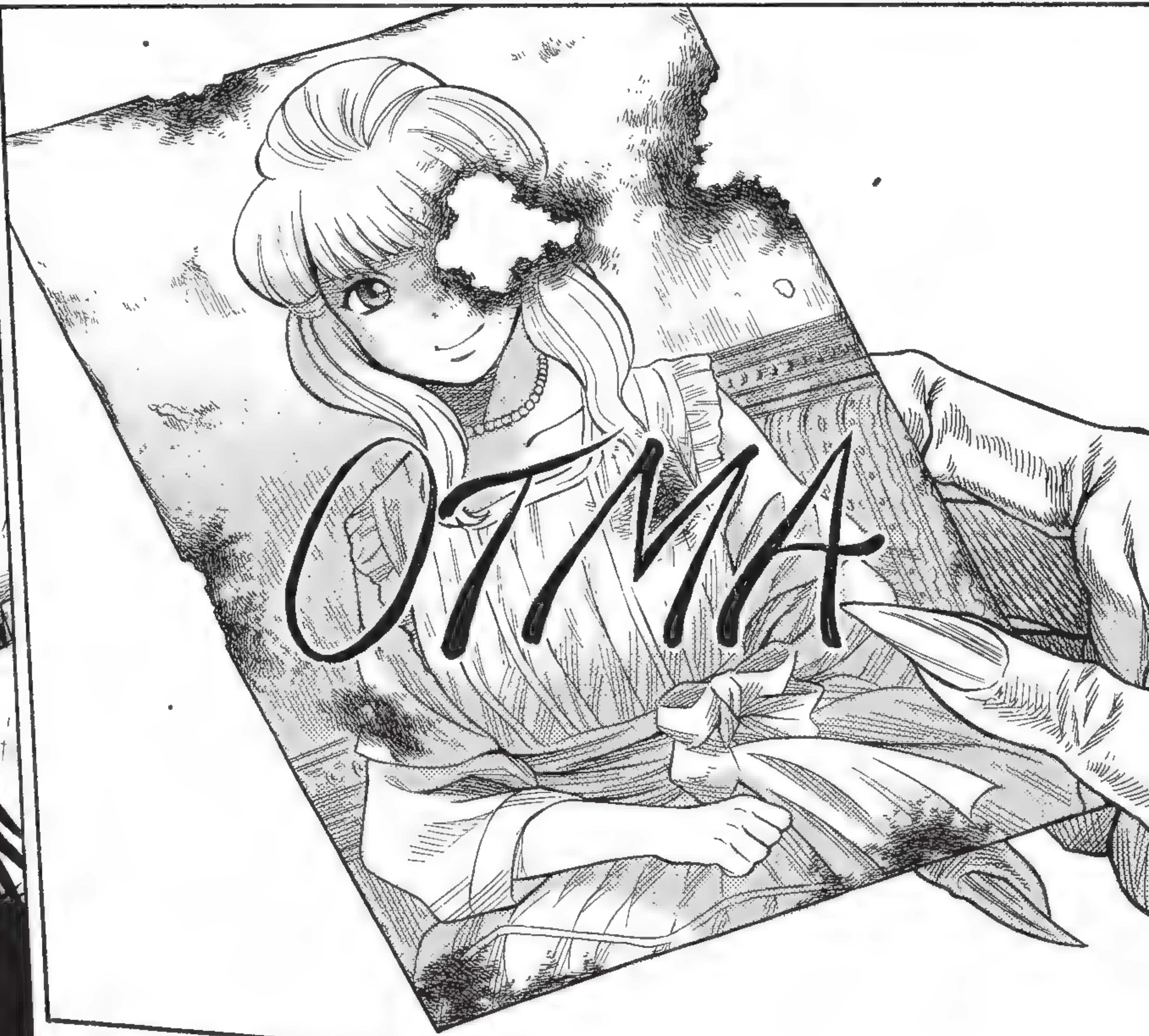
CALL IN  
REIN-  
FORCE-  
MENTS  
FROM  
ABOVE!

HALF  
OF OUR  
FORCES...  
GONE  
IN AN  
INSTANT!

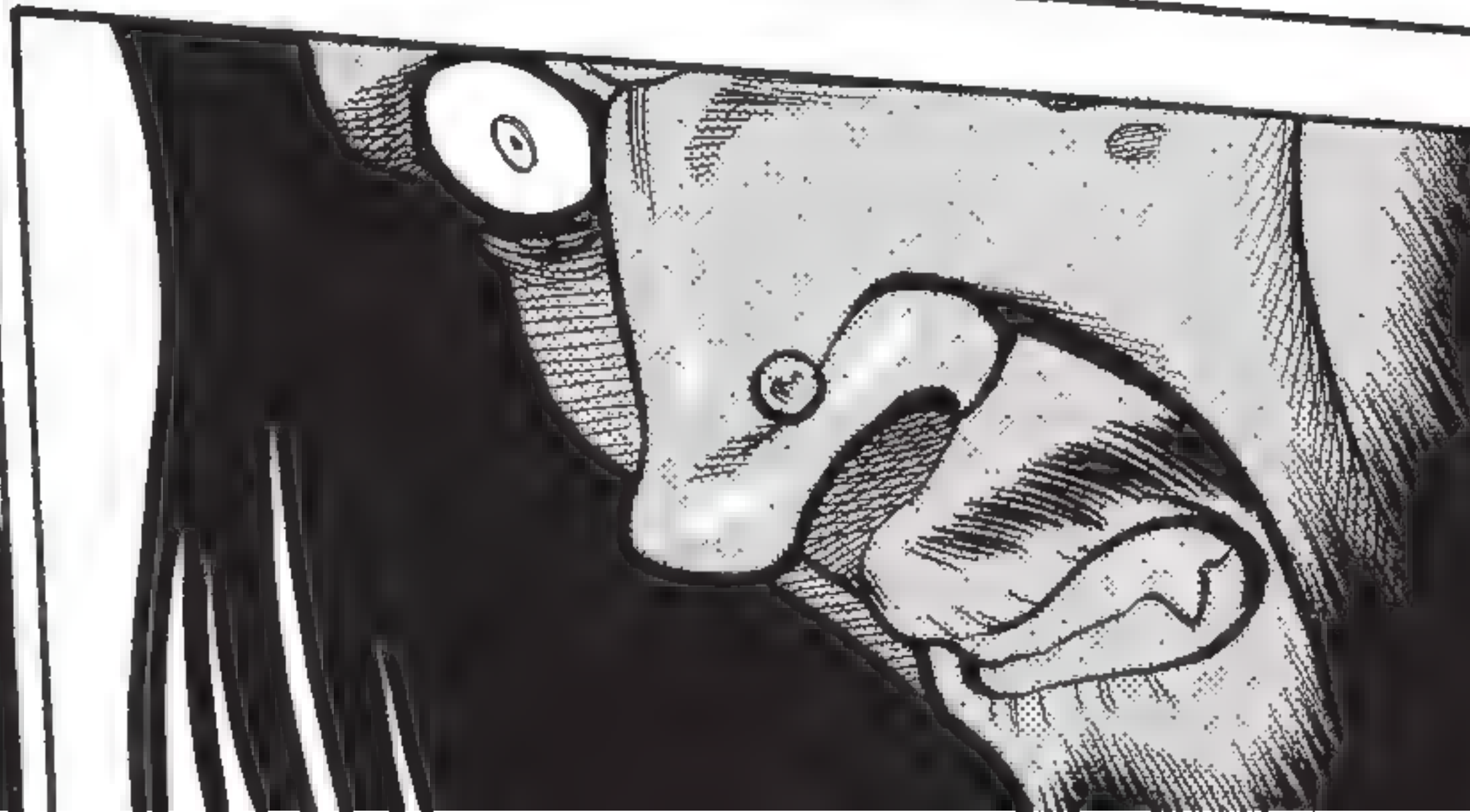
NO!  
BEOWULF  
WILL RIP  
THEM TO  
SHREDS  
BEFORE  
THEY  
REACH  
US!!



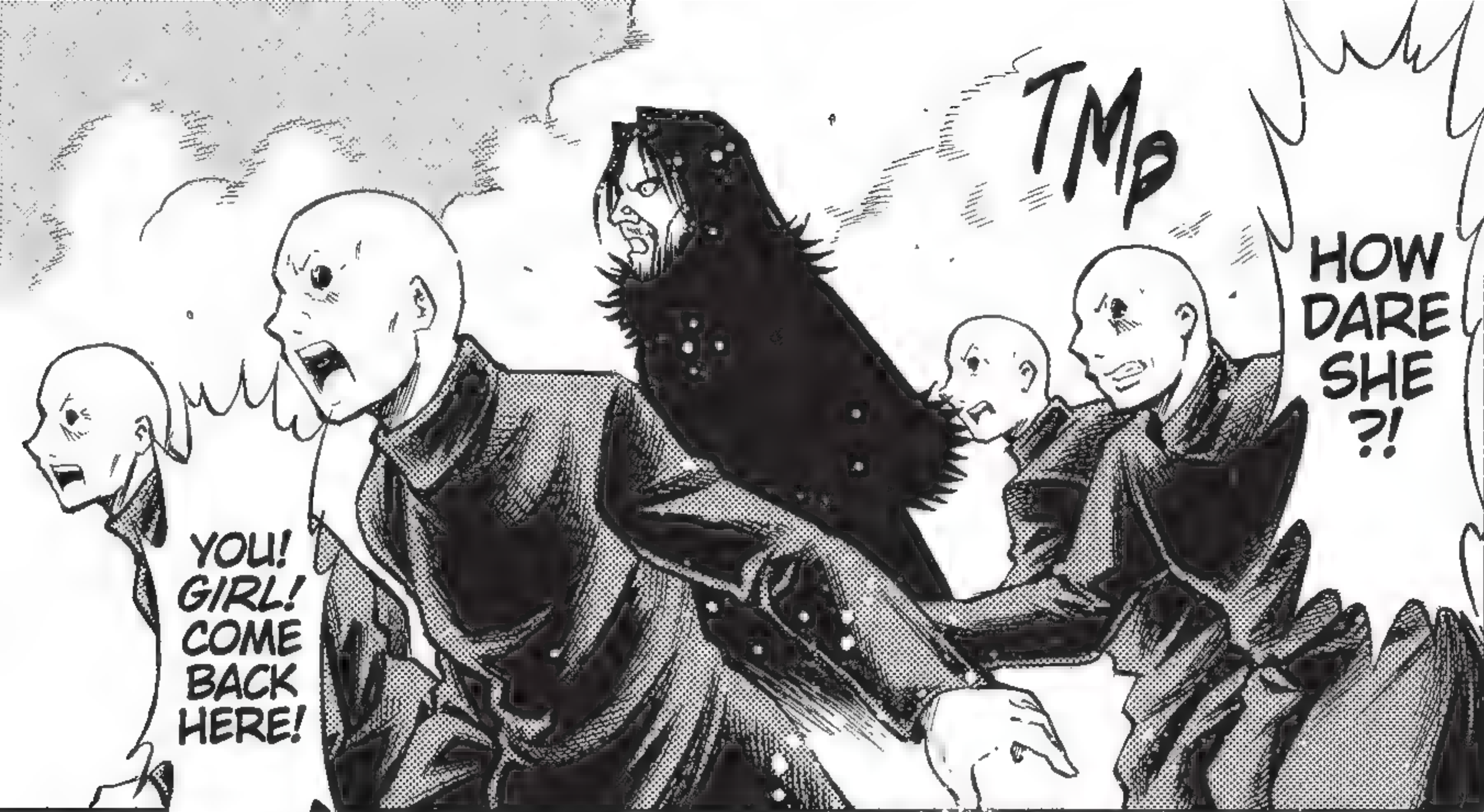
SHA...



OTMA







TMP

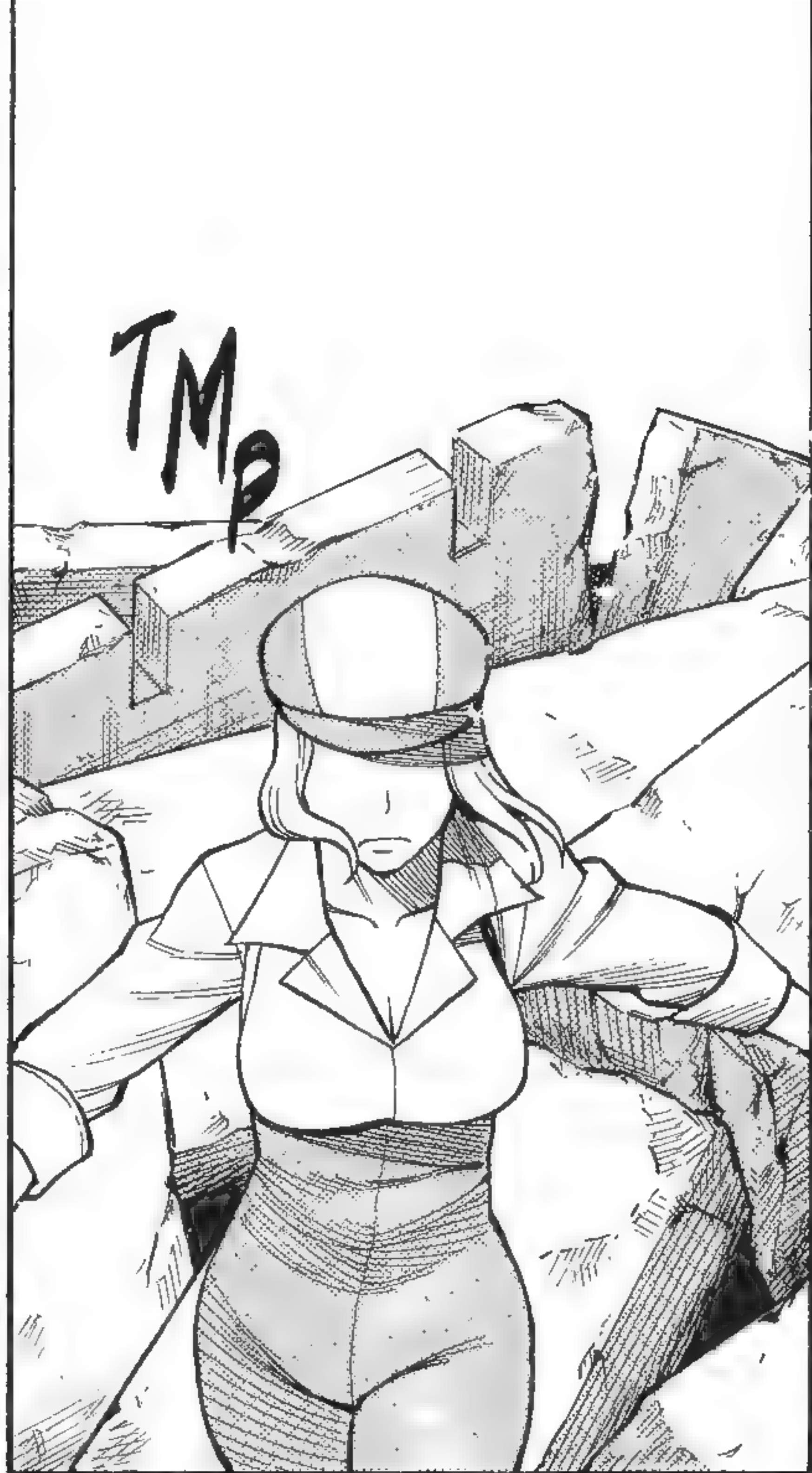
HOW DARE SHE ?!

YOU!  
GIRL!  
COME  
BACK  
HERE!

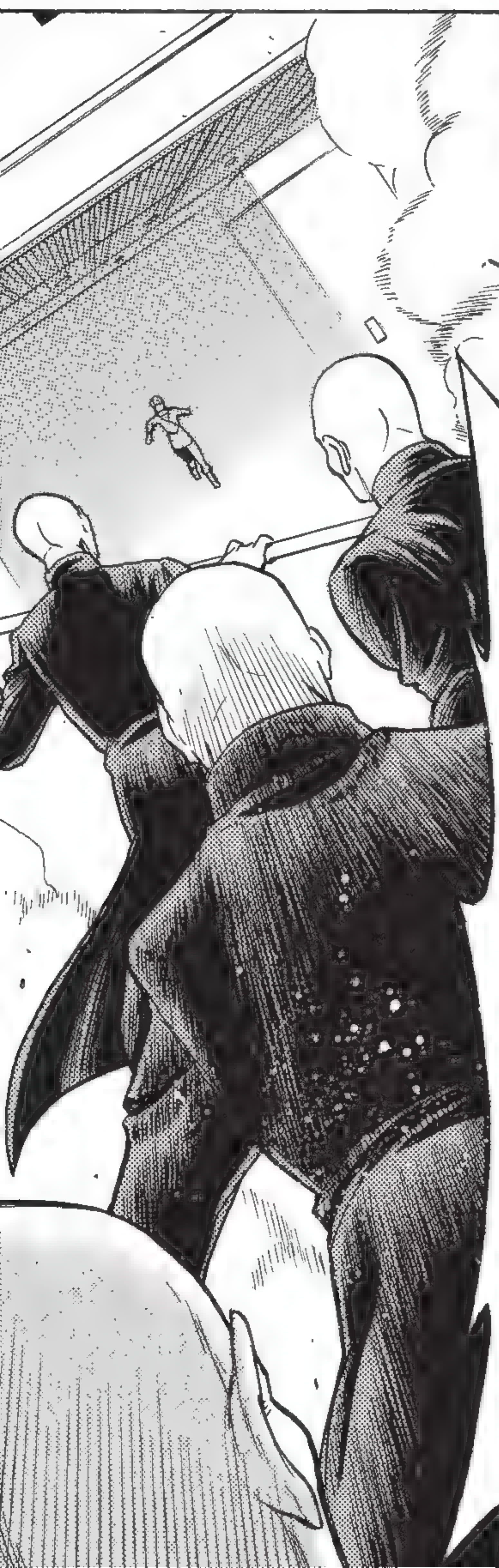


AFTER  
HER!

HER  
....!



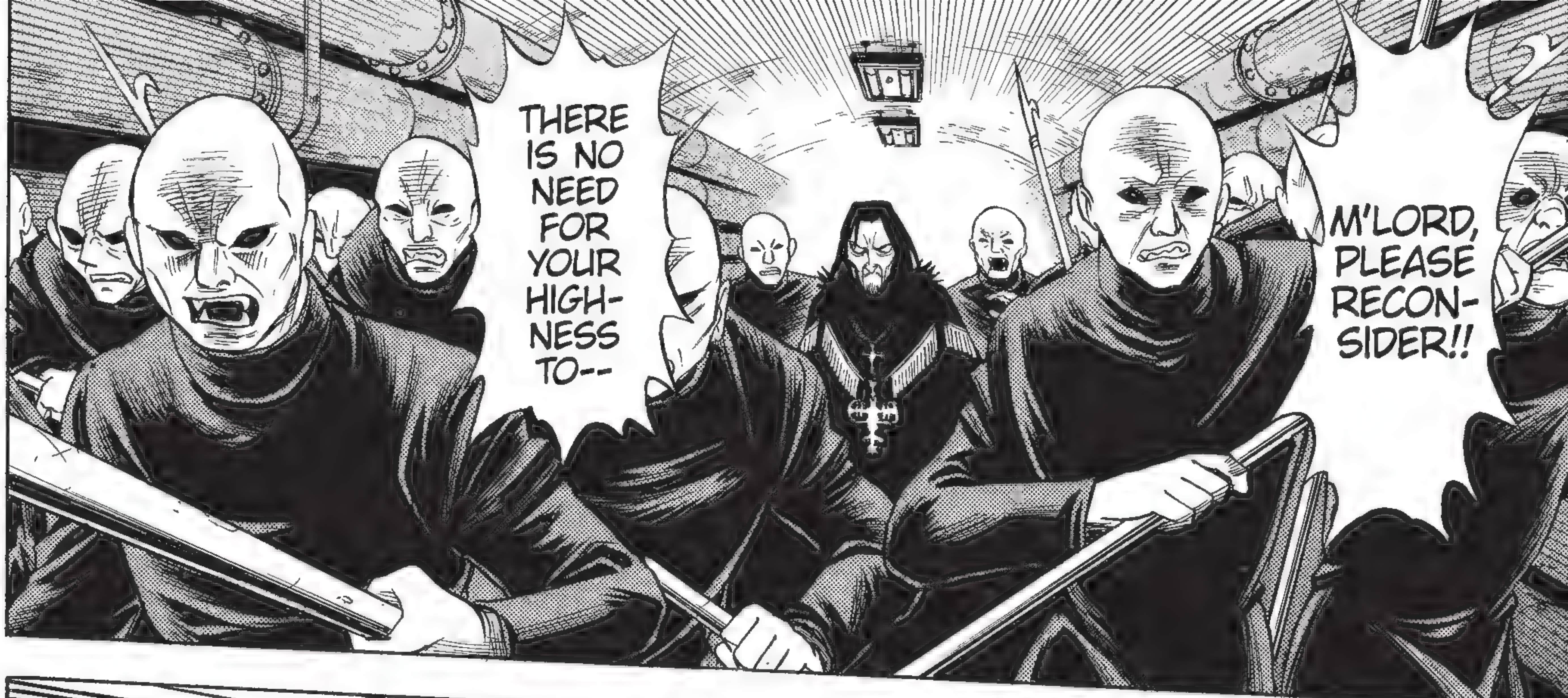
TMP



GET  
HER,  
GET  
HER,  
GET  
HERRR  
!!!

AFTER  
HER,  
YOU  
IMBE-  
CILES  
!!





THERE  
IS NO  
NEED  
FOR  
YOUR  
HIGH-  
NESS  
TO--

M'LORD,  
PLEASE  
RECON-  
SIDER!!



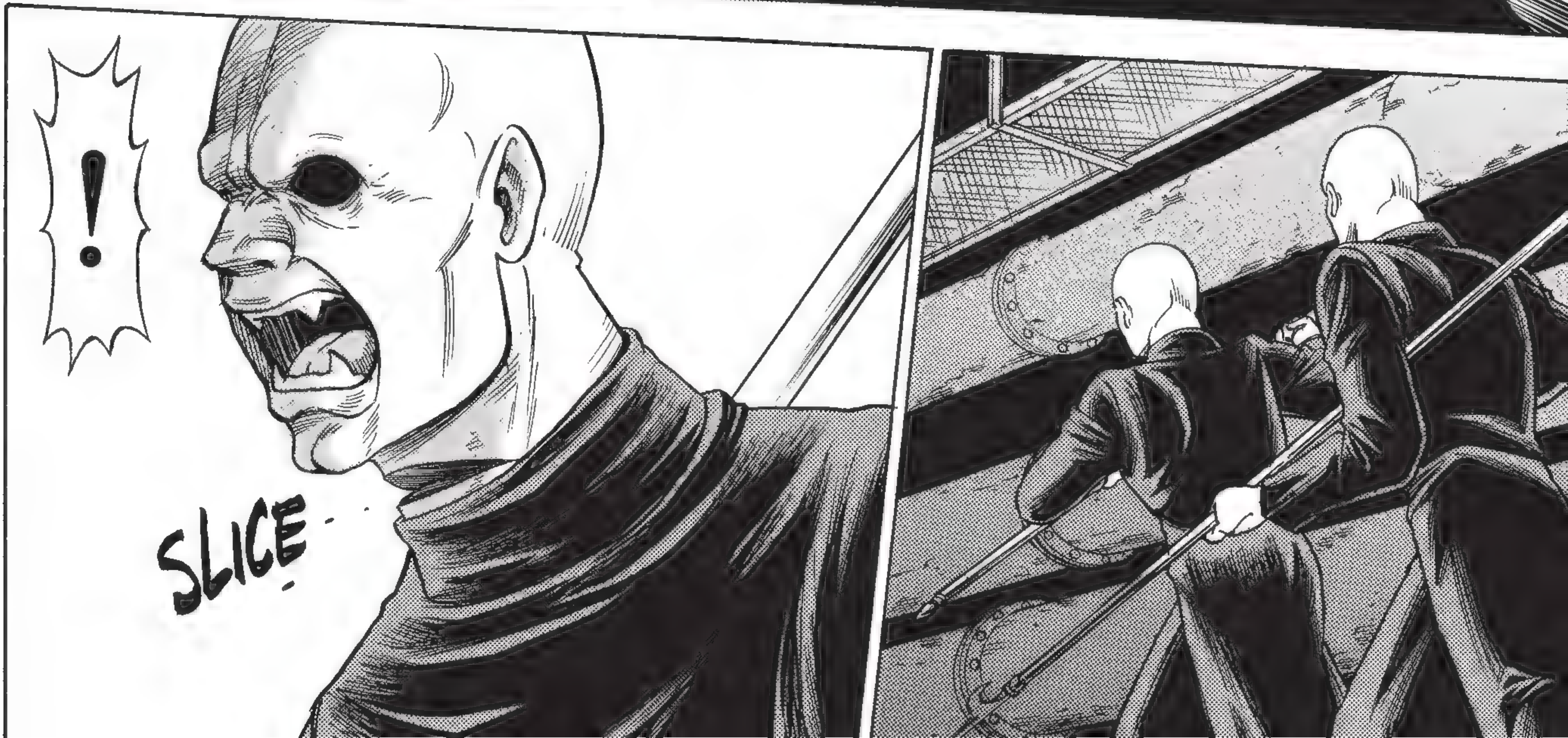
WUCH!



TO FIND  
HER  
AGAIN...!  
**ALIVE!**

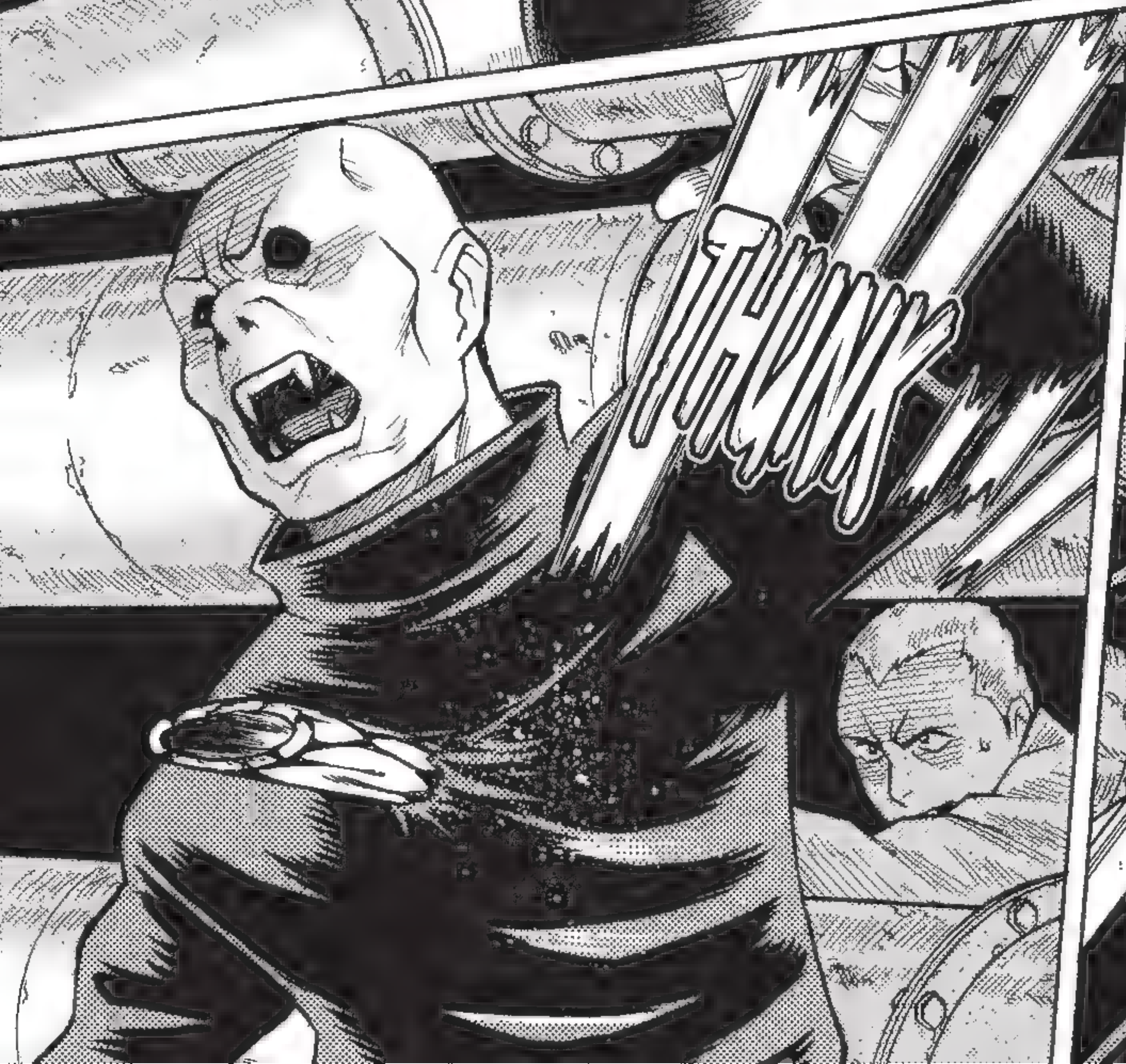
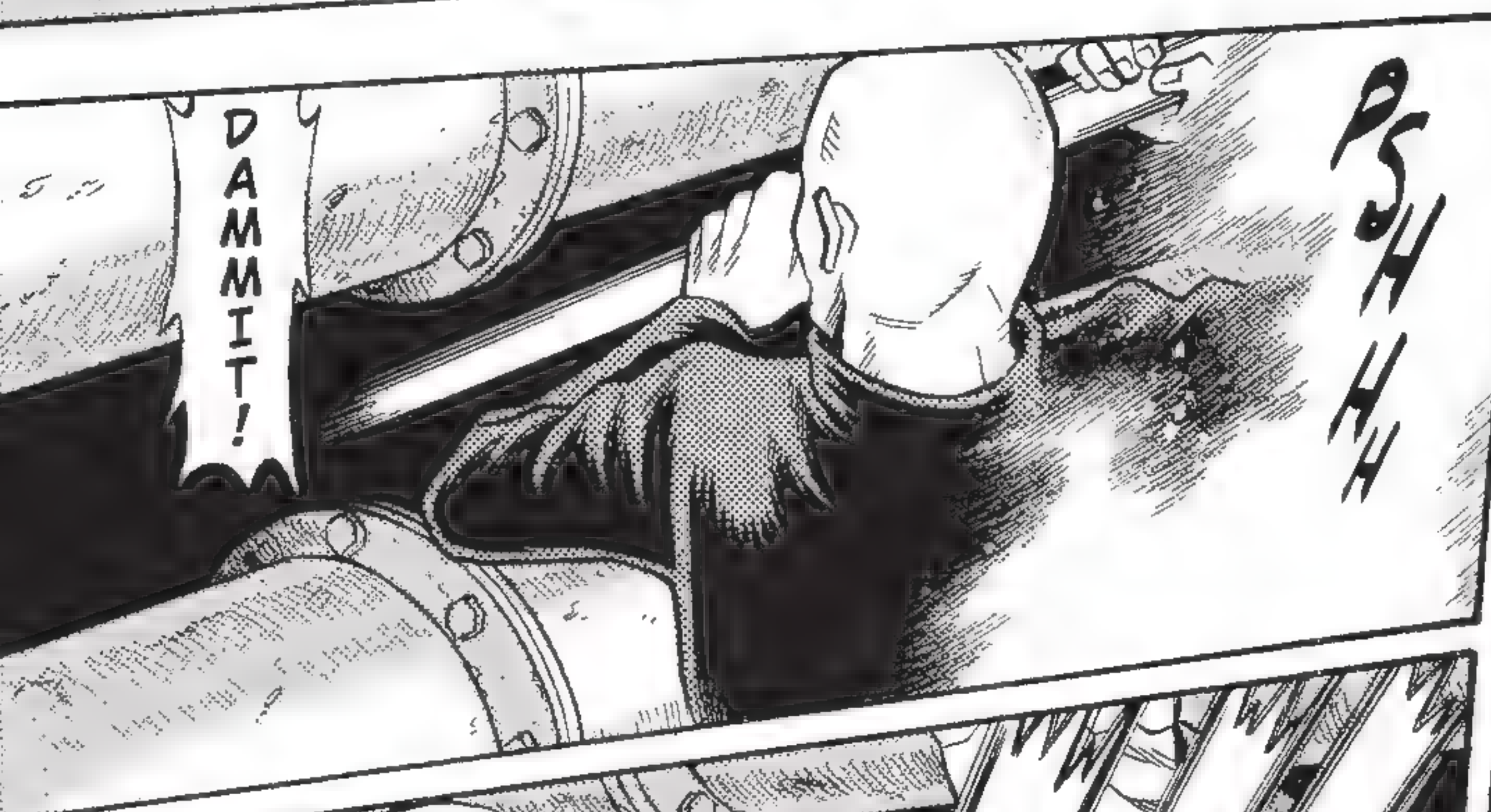
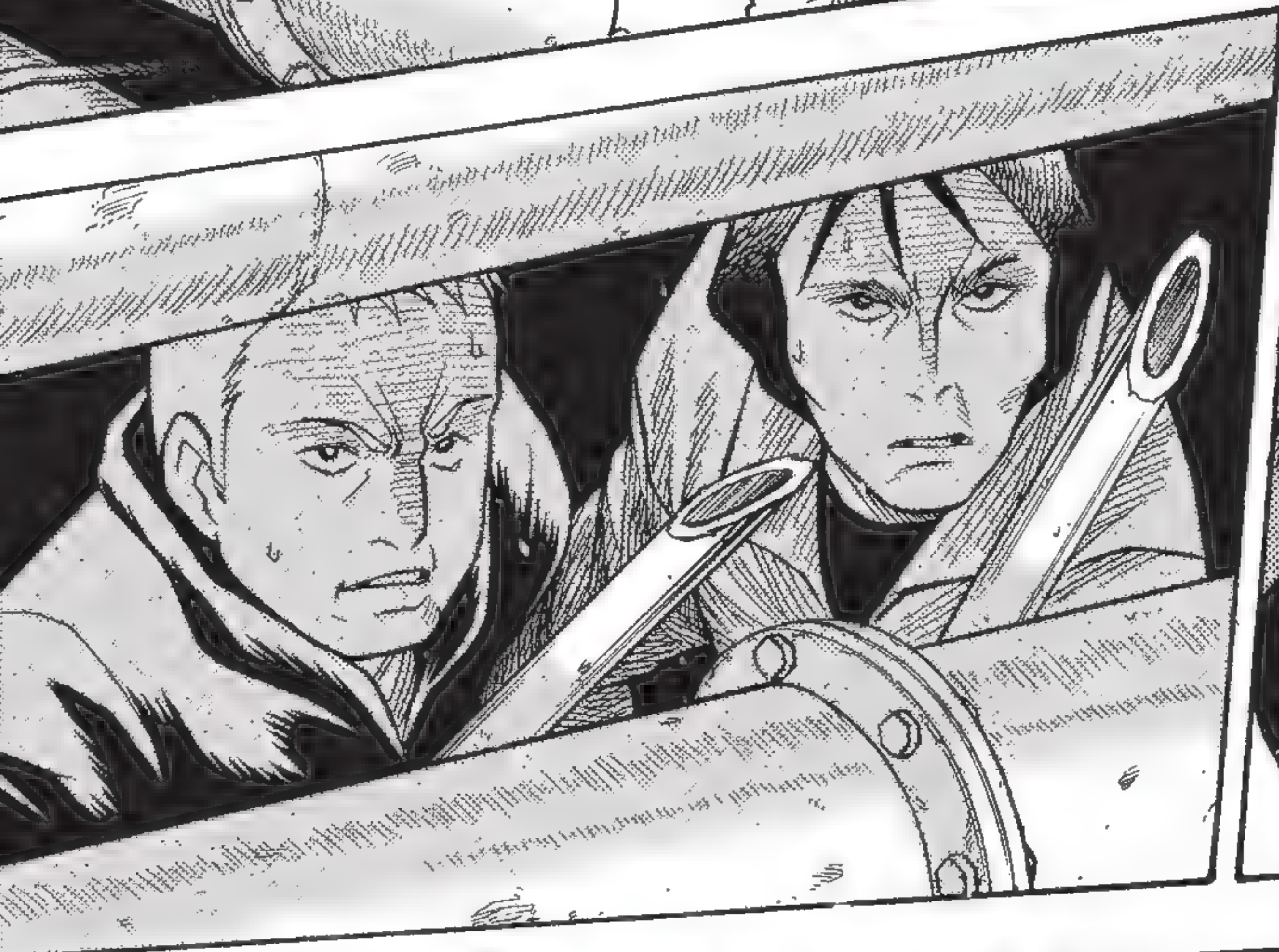
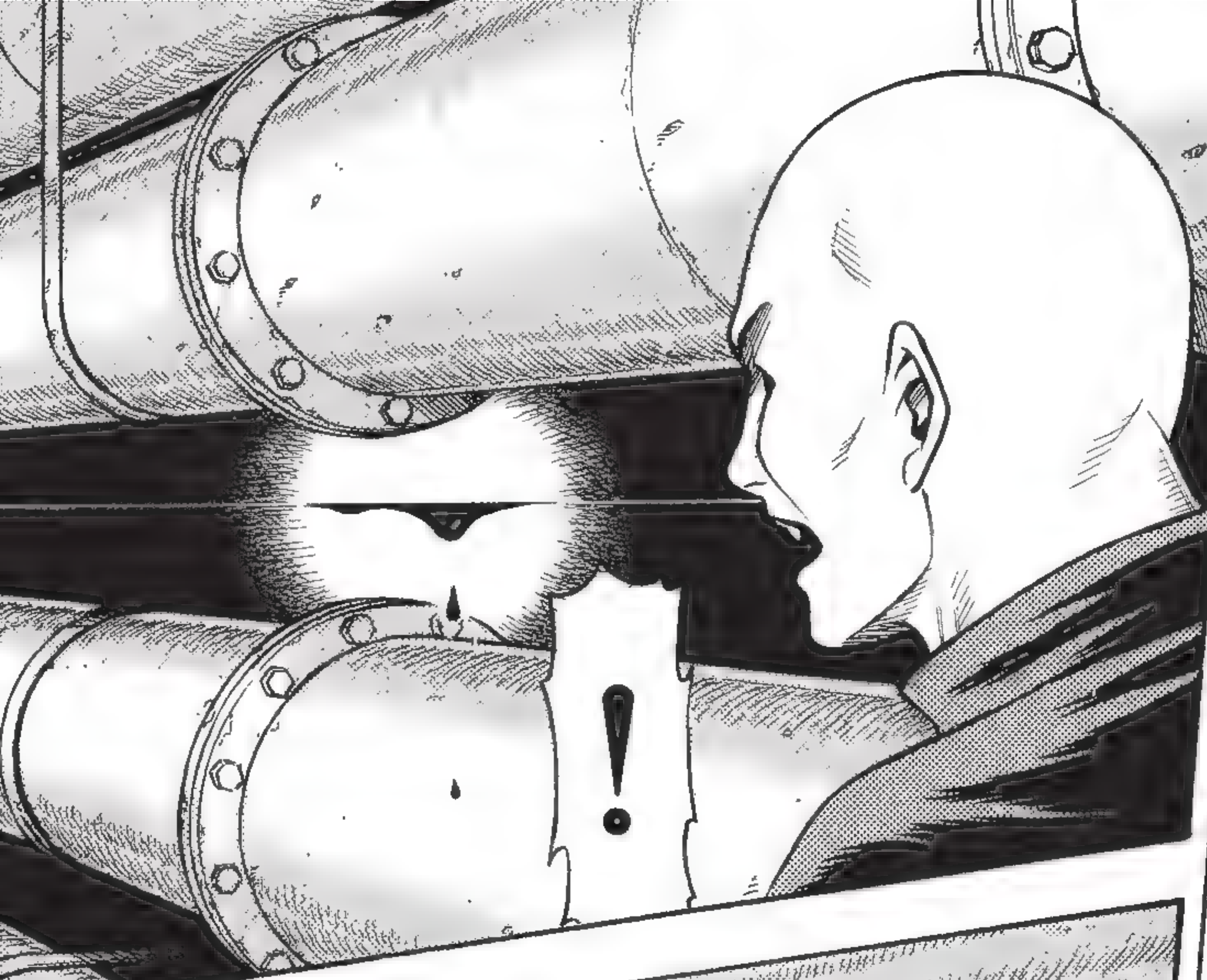
UN-  
BE-  
LIEV-  
ABLE  
...

IN-  
CON-  
CEIV-  
ABLE!

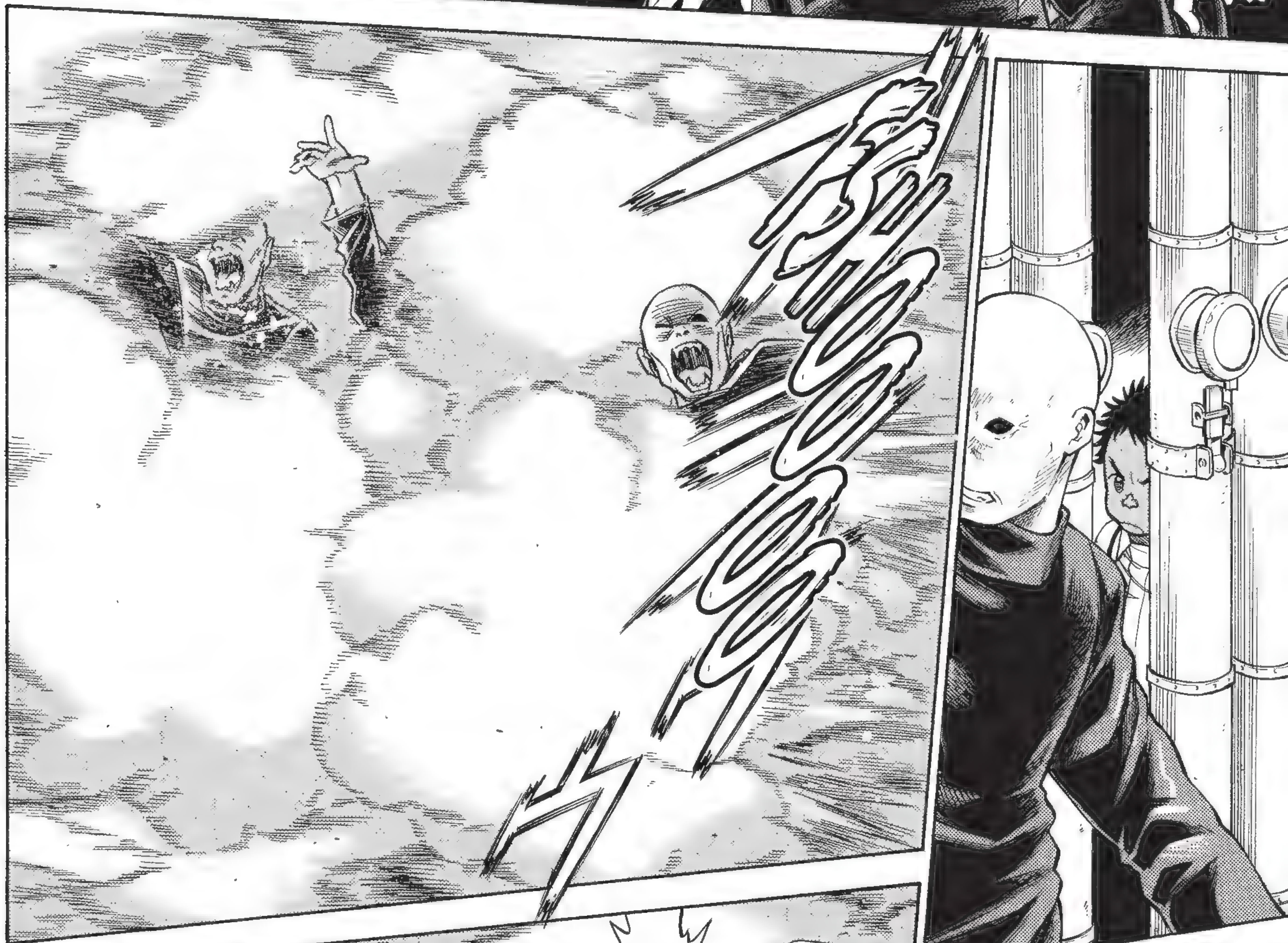


SLICE













FOR-  
WARD  
!

FOR-  
WARD  
!!

HOLD  
FAST,  
YOU  
FOOLS!

N  
G  
A  
A  
A  
H  
!



HEH.  
POOR MOVE,  
IVANOVIC.  
NOW YOU  
ARE  
TRAPPED  
WITHIN  
OUR  
MAZE.

UNDER-  
ESTIMAT-  
ING THE  
FANG-  
LESS  
WILL BE  
YOUR  
DOOM!

THIS  
WAY!  
I KNOW  
A  
SHORT  
CUT!

GOOD!  
KEEP  
LURING  
THEM  
DOWN  
TO THE  
BOTTOM  
FLOOR!

THEY'RE  
COMING,  
HIME-  
SAMA!

SEND  
OTHERS  
AROUND  
TO CUT  
OFF ANY  
ESCAPE  
ROUTES!



THE  
DEPTH...  
THE  
STRENGTH  
OF SUCH  
CONVICTION  
COULD  
NEVER BE  
UNDER-  
STOOD BY  
A SHORT-  
SIGHTED  
IDIOT LIKE  
YOU!

THEY  
KNEW FULL  
WELL THEY  
WOULD BE  
PERSECUTED  
FOR THEIR  
DECISION,  
YET THEY  
STILL CHOSE  
TO THROW  
AWAY THEIR  
FANGS AND  
KEEP THEIR  
HUMANITY!

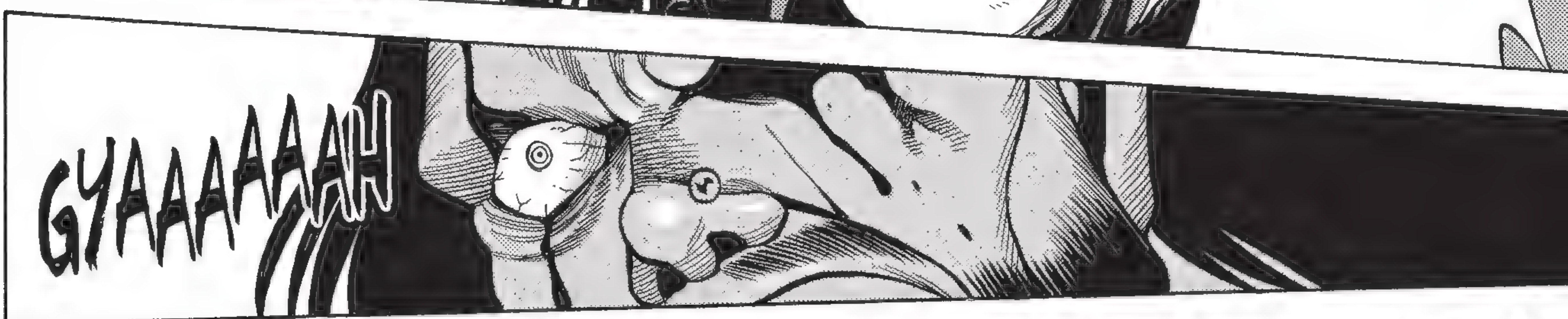
IT IS  
NOT THAT  
THEY  
CANNOT  
FIGHT,  
THEY  
SIMPLY  
CHOOSE  
NOT TO  
FIGHT!





SEE  
THEM,  
IVANOVIC,  
AND  
KNOW  
FEAR!!

UNDER MY  
COMMAND,  
THEY ARE A  
DEADLIER  
FIGHTING  
FORCE  
THAN ANY  
ARMY IN  
THE ENTIRE  
WORLD!!



GYAAAAAAH



COME  
BACK  
!!

WAIT!



YES.  
I'M SUR-  
PRISED  
YOU  
GUESSED.

THAT  
PAPER  
YOU  
SHOWED  
HIM...  
IT WAS  
INITIALS,  
RIGHT?

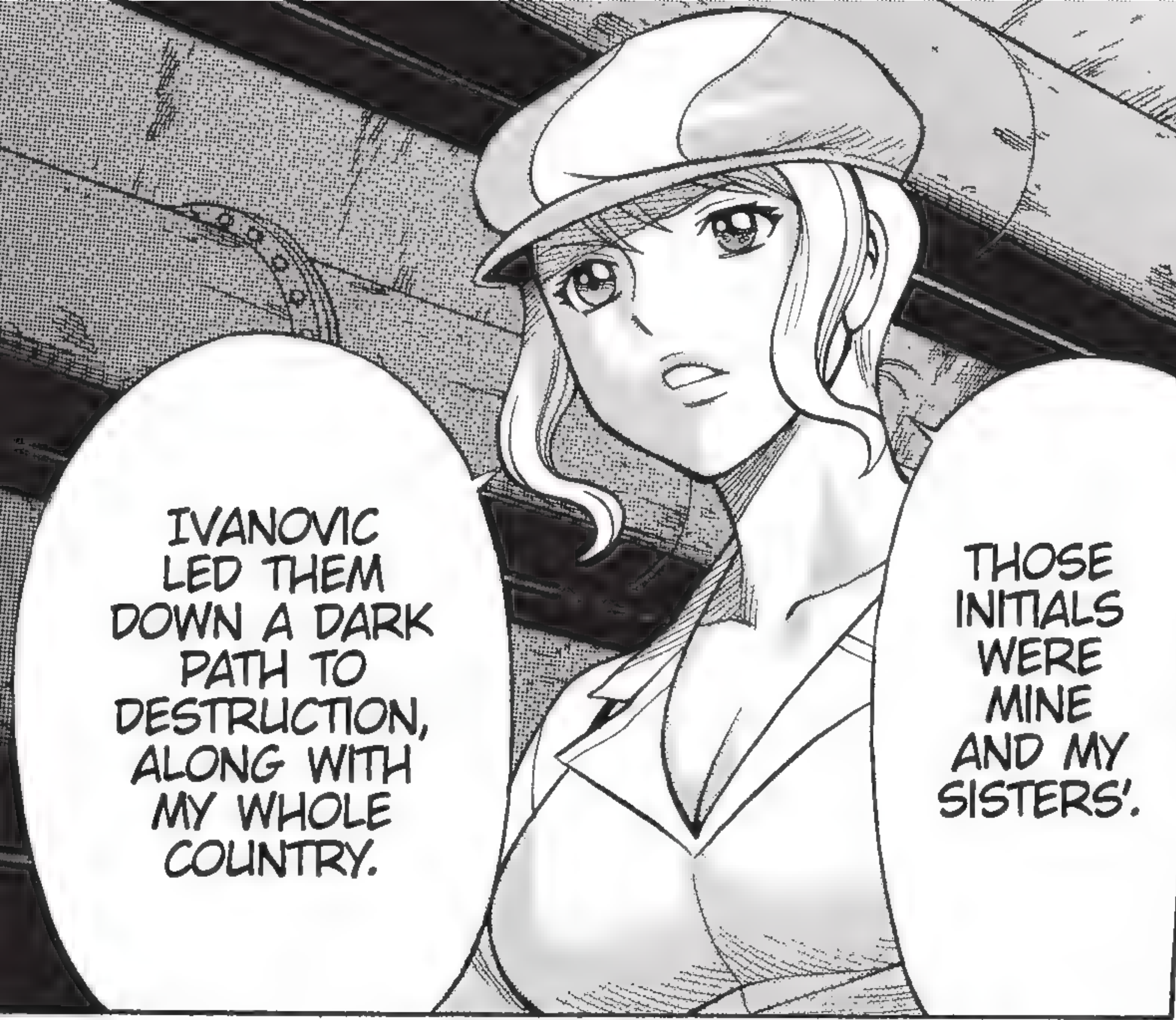
OF  
COURSE.  
THAT  
IS THE  
WAY  
HE IS.

WHOA.  
HE'S  
STILL  
CHAS-  
ING  
YOU...  
UNBE-  
LIEV-  
ABLE.



KLOOONG





IVANOVIC  
LED THEM  
DOWN A DARK  
PATH TO  
DESTRUCTION,  
ALONG WITH  
MY WHOLE  
COUNTRY.

THOSE  
INITIALS  
WERE  
MINE  
AND MY  
SISTERS'.



I  
SEE...

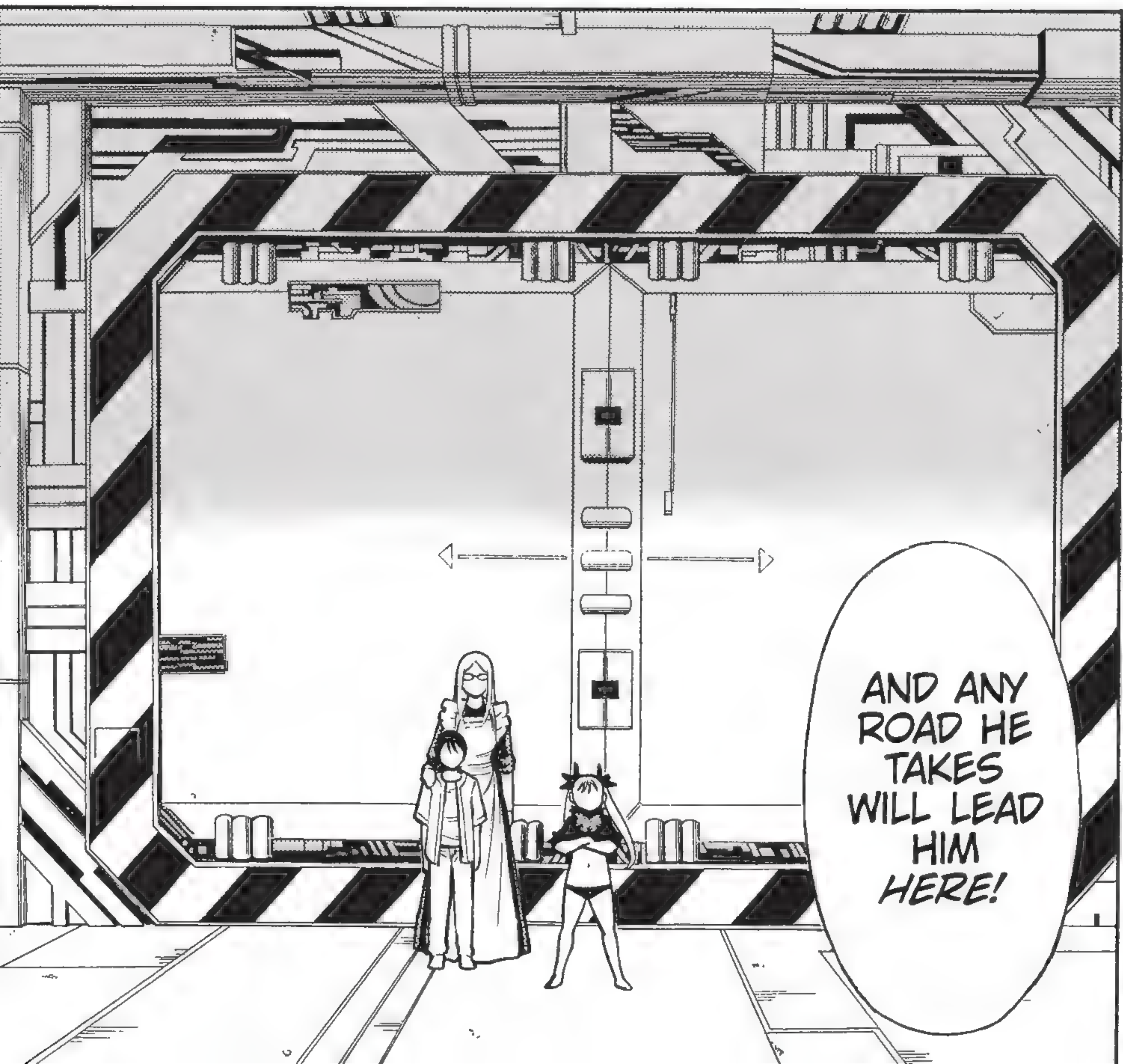


SOME...  
FRIENDS  
OF MINE  
AND I DID  
THE SAME  
THING.  
A LONG  
TIME  
AGO.

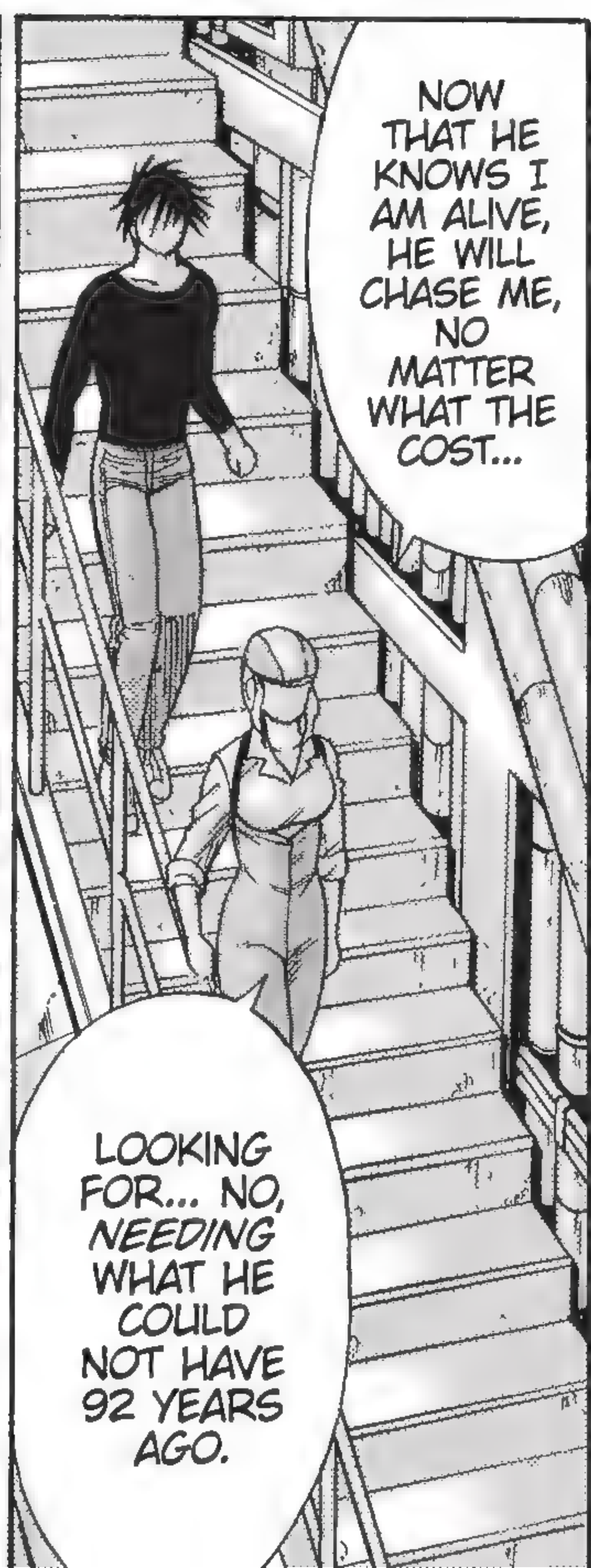


BUT  
HIME-SAMA  
SAVED ME,  
AND SO  
I CAME  
HERE.

I SHOULD  
HAVE  
BEEN  
THERE TO  
DIE WITH  
THEM.



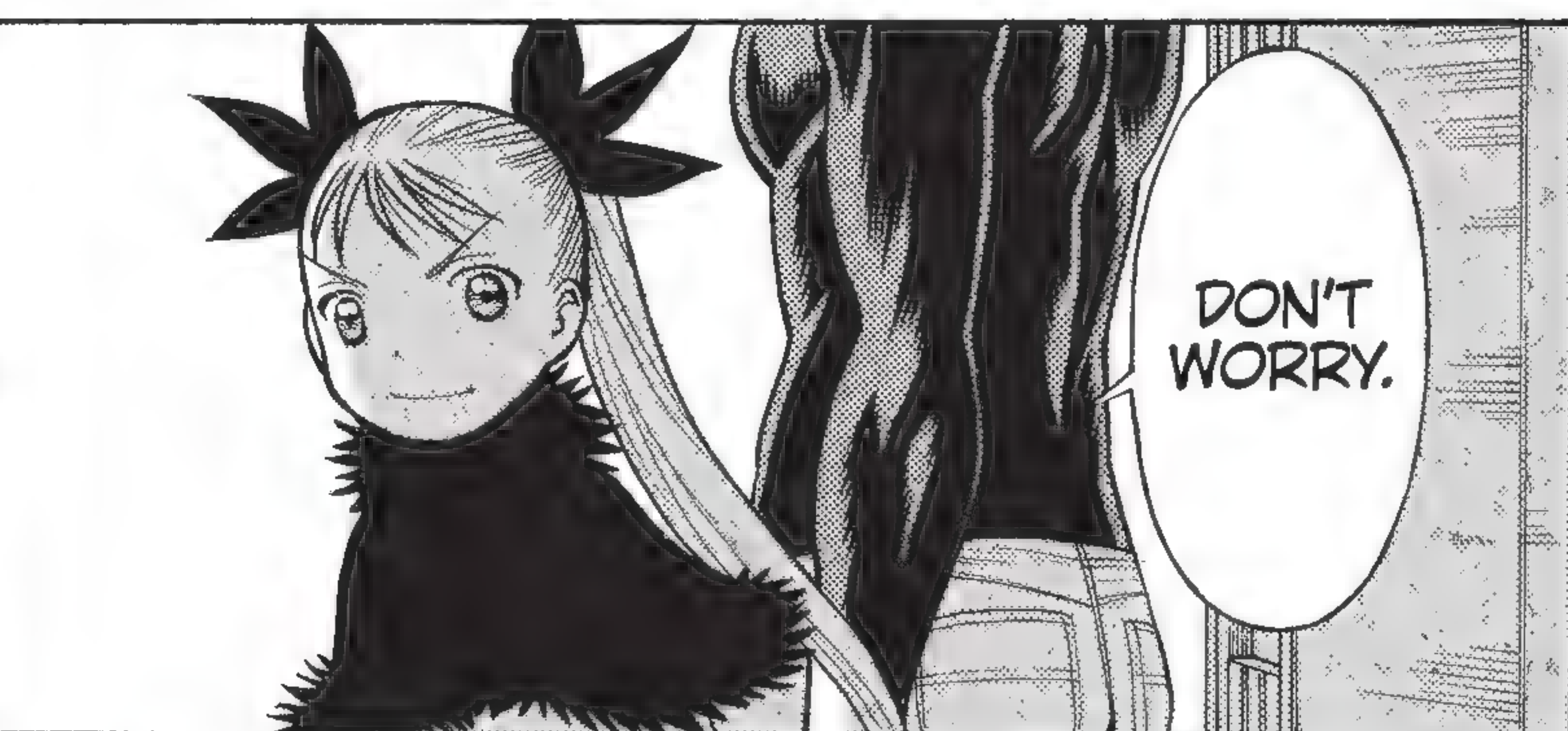
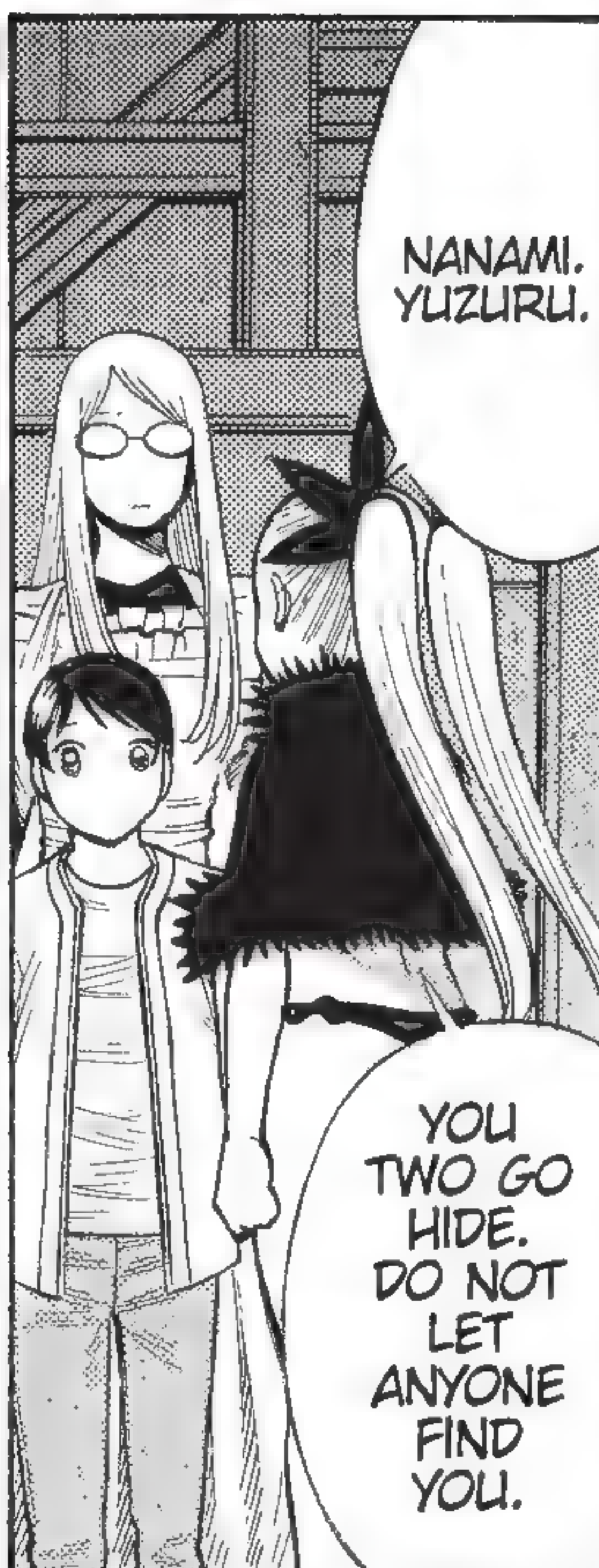
AND ANY  
ROAD HE  
TAKES  
WILL LEAD  
HIM  
HERE!



NOW  
THAT HE  
KNOWS I  
AM ALIVE,  
HE WILL  
CHASE ME,  
NO  
MATTER  
WHAT THE  
COST...

LOOKING  
FOR... NO,  
NEEDING  
WHAT HE  
COULD  
NOT HAVE  
92 YEARS  
AGO.









AKIRA,  
CALM  
DOWN.  
PA-  
TIENCE.



HELL,  
WHY  
HIM  
IN THE  
FIRST  
PLACE?

WHAT  
ABOUT  
LI?

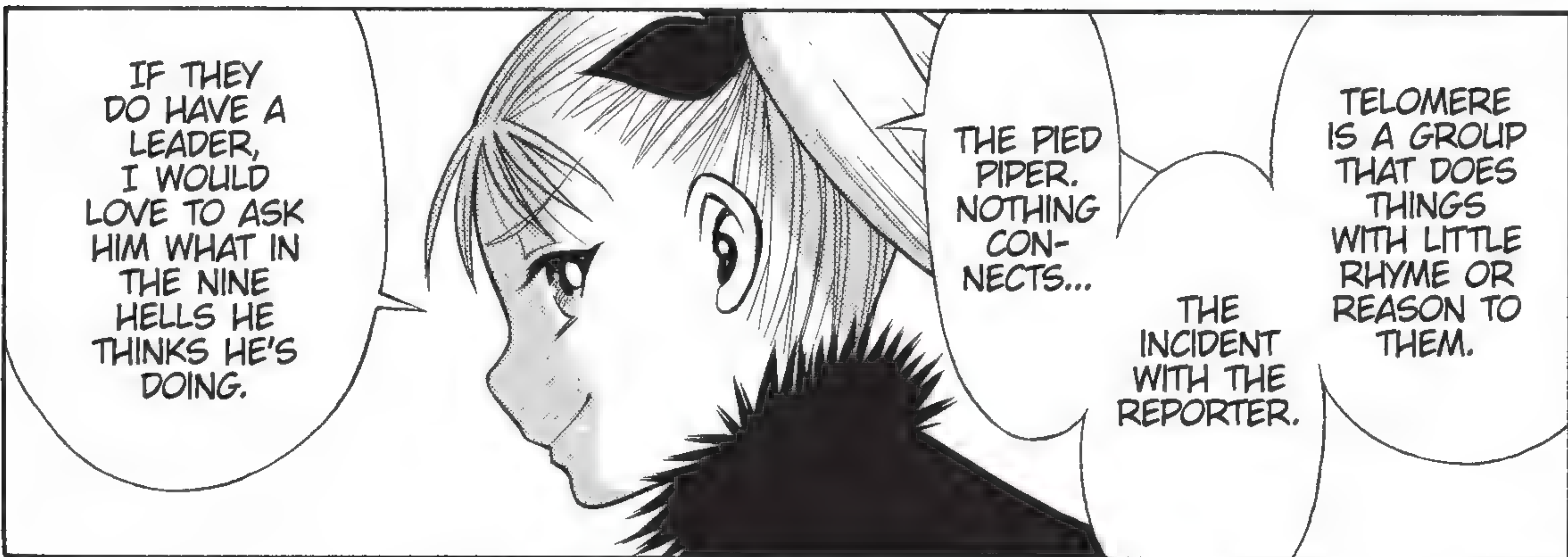
OR  
ROZEN-  
MANN?  
ESPE-  
CIALY  
ROZEN-  
MANN!  
WHY  
ISN'T HE  
DOING  
ANY-  
THING?!



NO,  
IT'S NOT  
WHAT  
YOU  
THINK.  
SOME-  
THING'S  
BUG-  
GING  
ME...

WHAT  
COULD  
THEY  
GET BY  
SENDING  
HIM AT  
US IN A  
BLATANT  
ALL-OUT  
ASSAULT?

ANGIE'S A  
TELOMERE  
AGENT,  
RIGHT?  
SO WHY  
WOULD  
TELOMERE  
GO TO  
IVANOVIC  
?

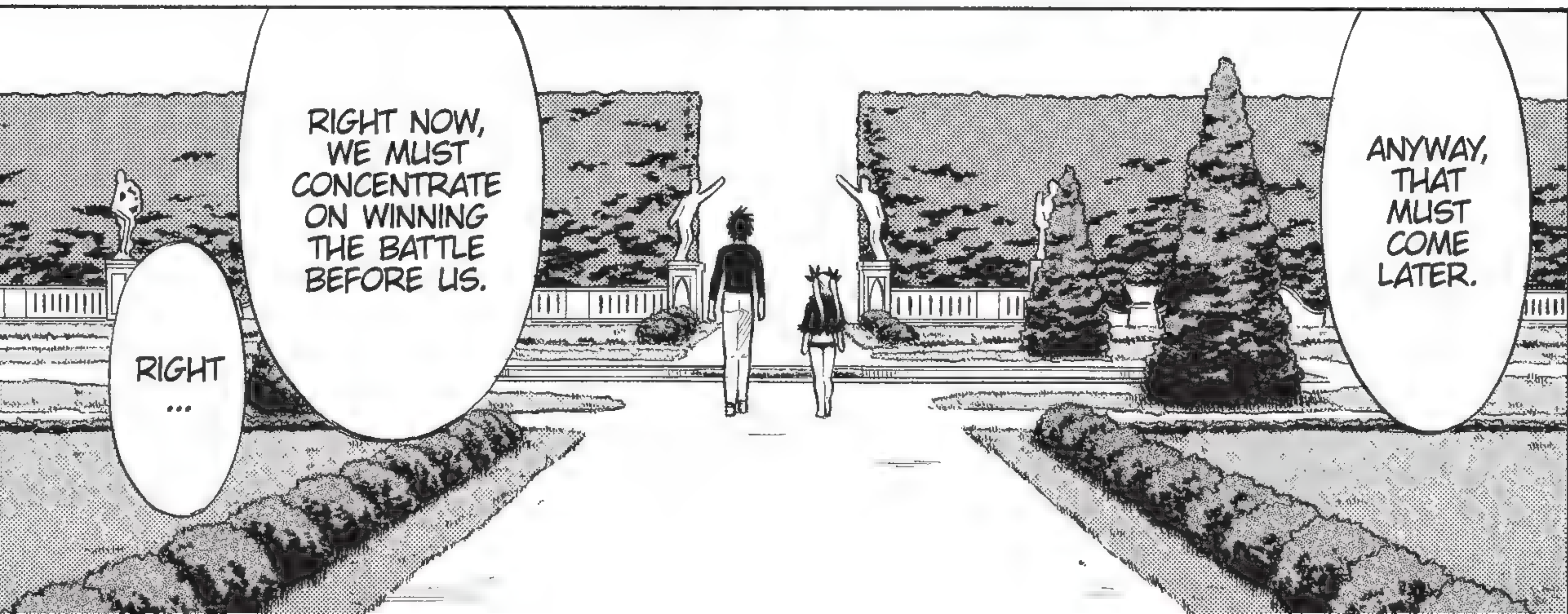


IF THEY  
DO HAVE A  
LEADER,  
I WOULD  
LOVE TO ASK  
HIM WHAT IN  
THE NINE  
HELLS HE  
THINKS HE'S  
DOING.

THE PIED  
PIPER.  
NOTHING  
CON-  
NECTS...

THE  
INCIDENT  
WITH THE  
REPORTER.

TELOMERE  
IS A GROUP  
THAT DOES  
THINGS  
WITH LITTLE  
RHYME OR  
REASON TO  
THEM.

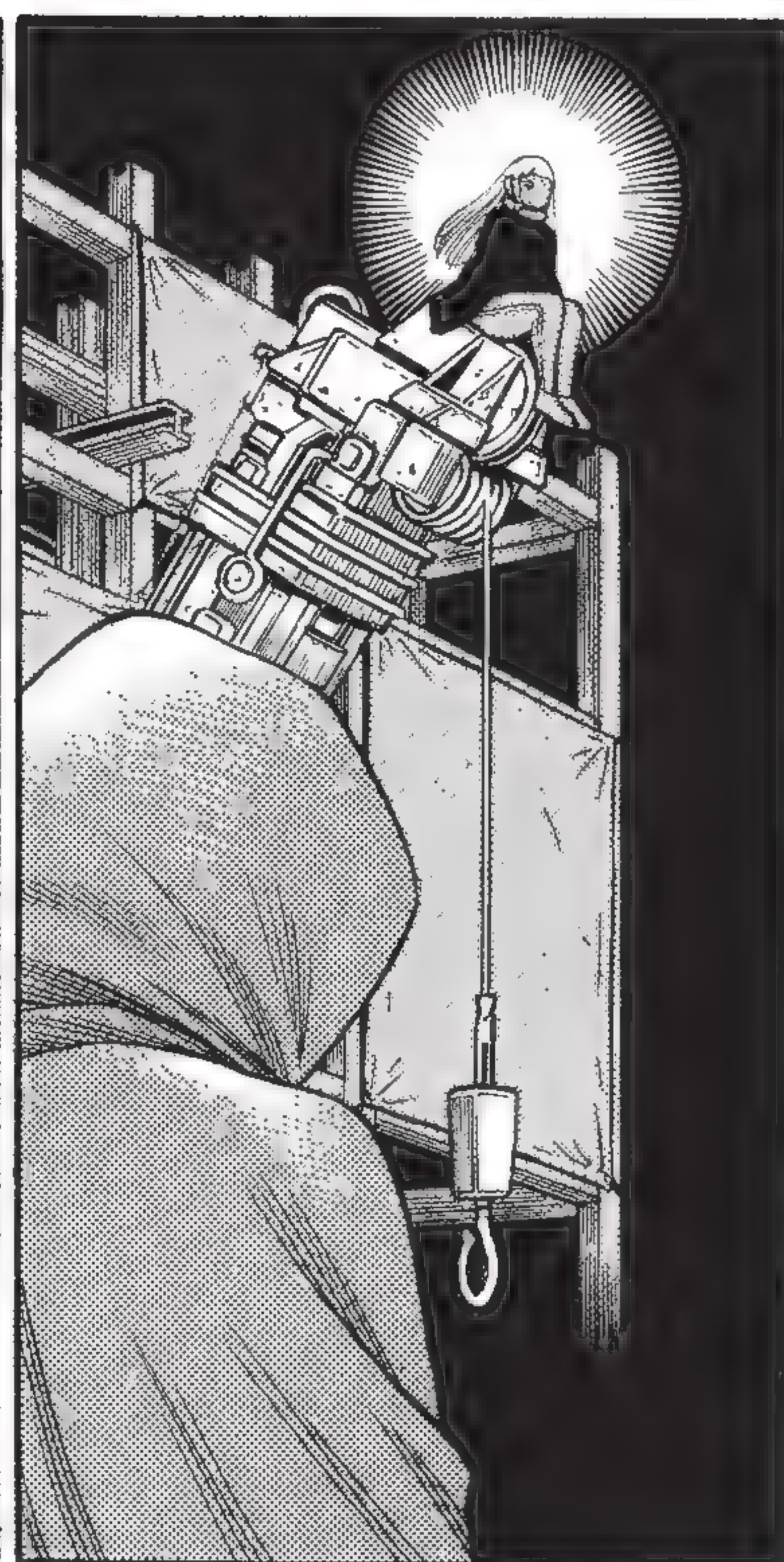
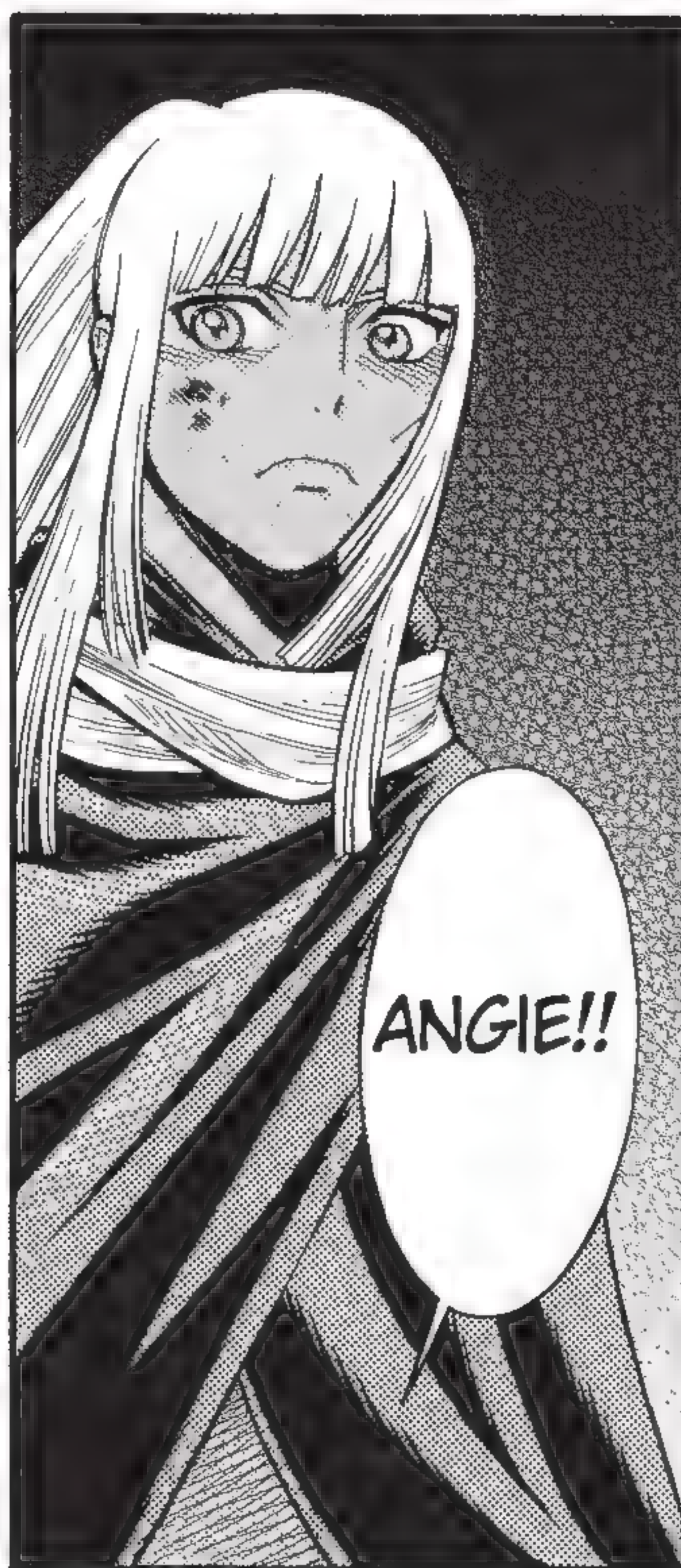
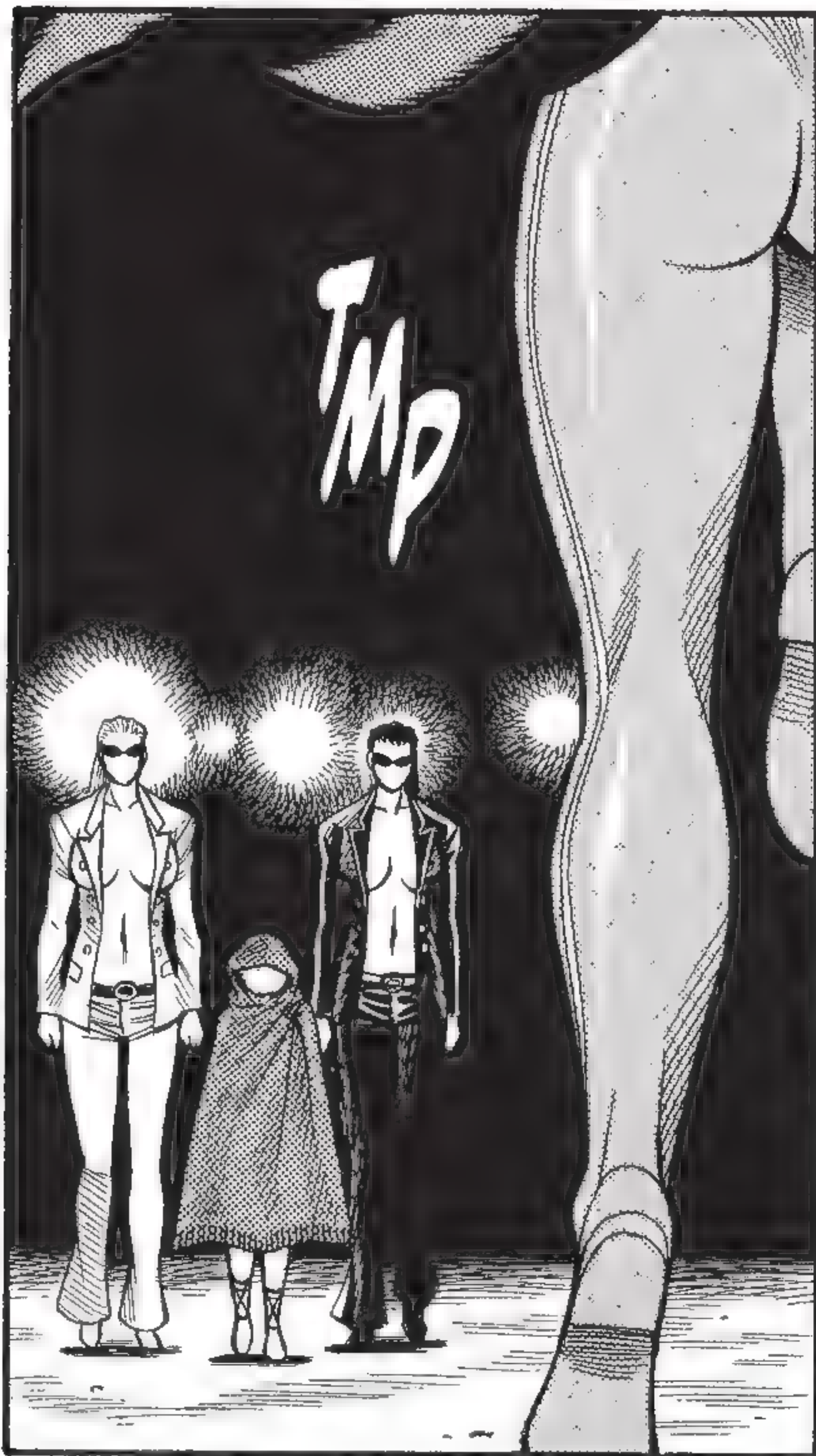
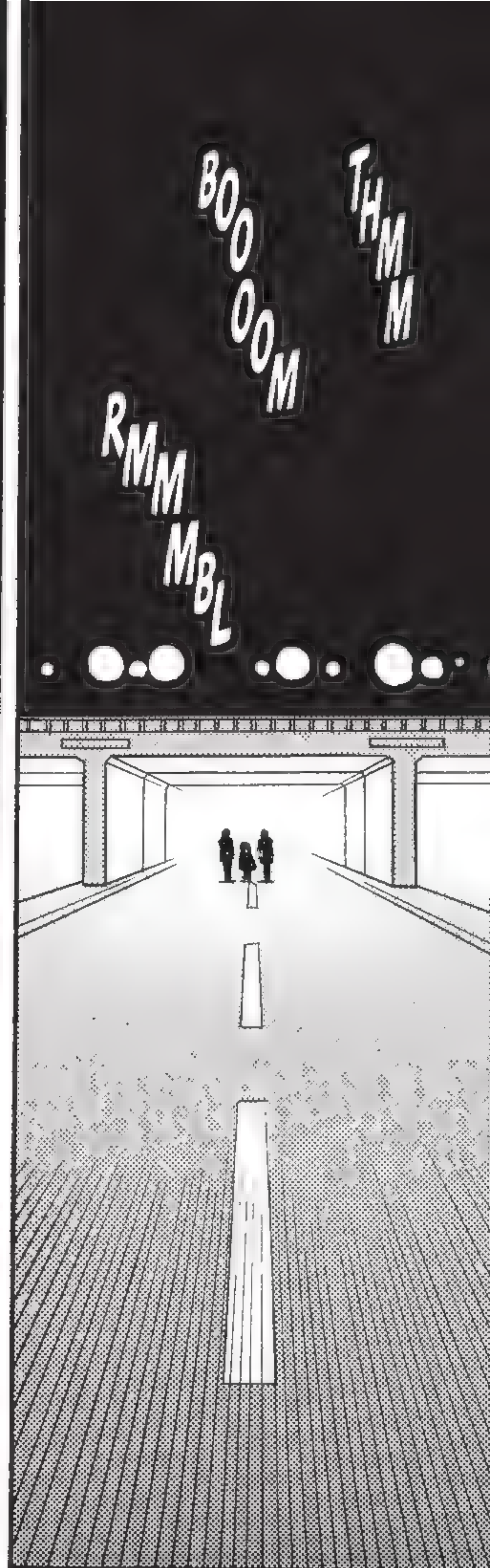


RIGHT NOW,  
WE MUST  
CONCENTRATE  
ON WINNING  
THE BATTLE  
BEFORE US.

ANYWAY,  
THAT  
MUST  
COME  
LATER.

RIGHT  
...







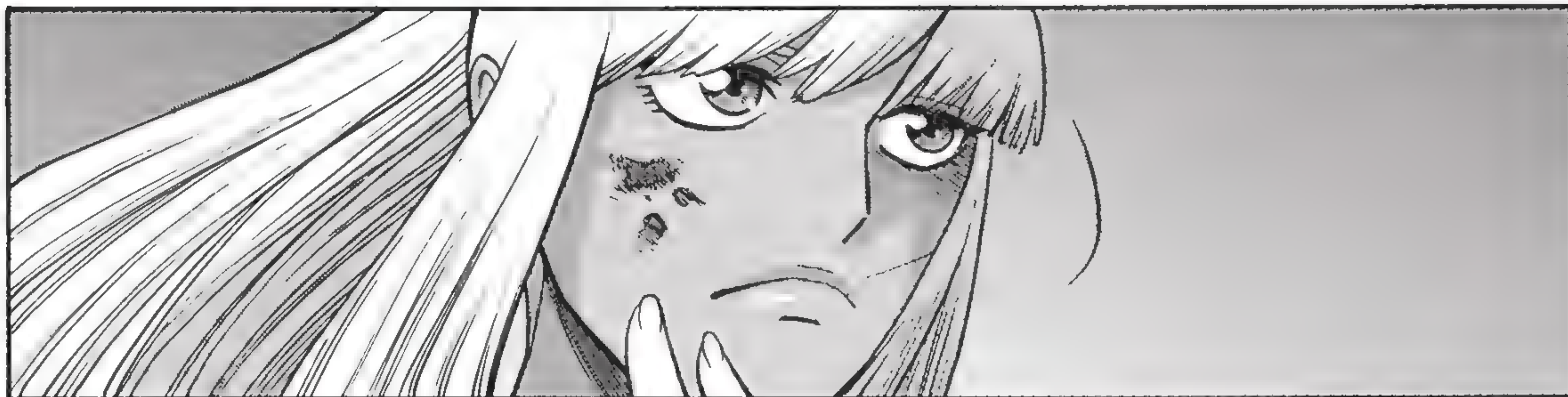


.....  
THERE'S  
BLOOD  
ON  
YOUR  
CHEEK.



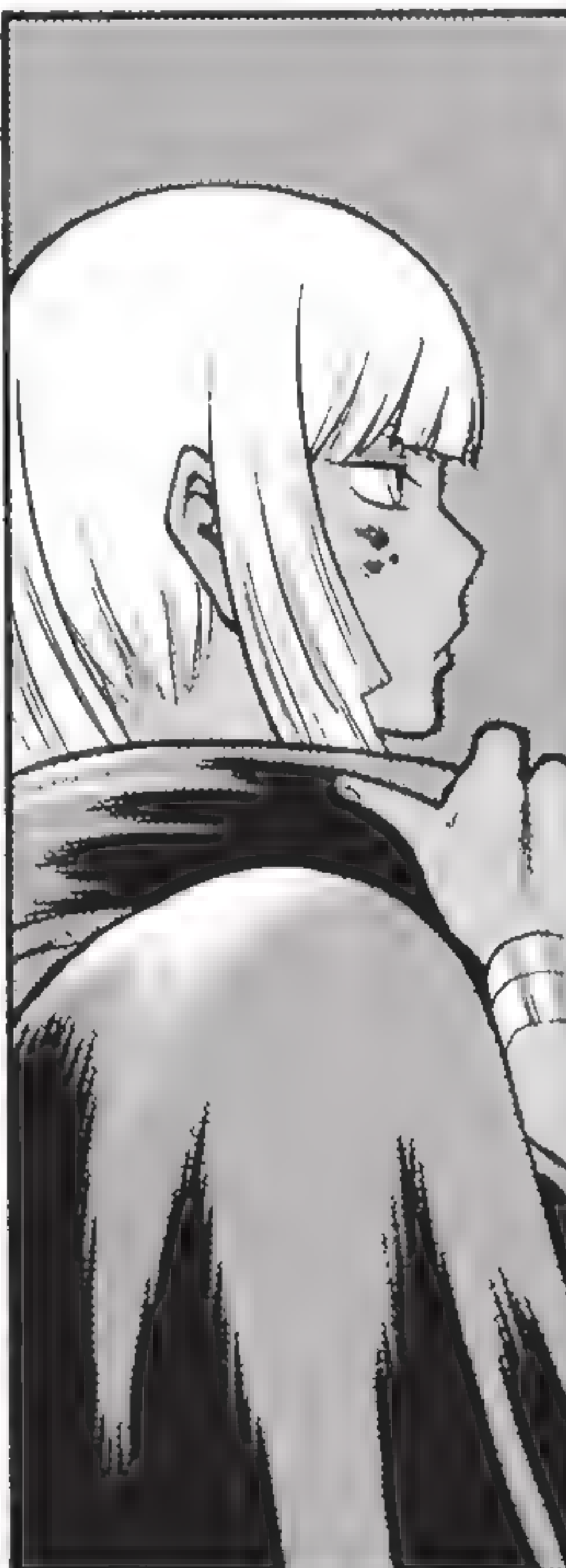
JAPAN  
CERTAINLY  
IS VERY  
FAR  
AWAY.

I'VE  
FINALLY  
ARRIVED.



NOW,  
LEAD  
ON.

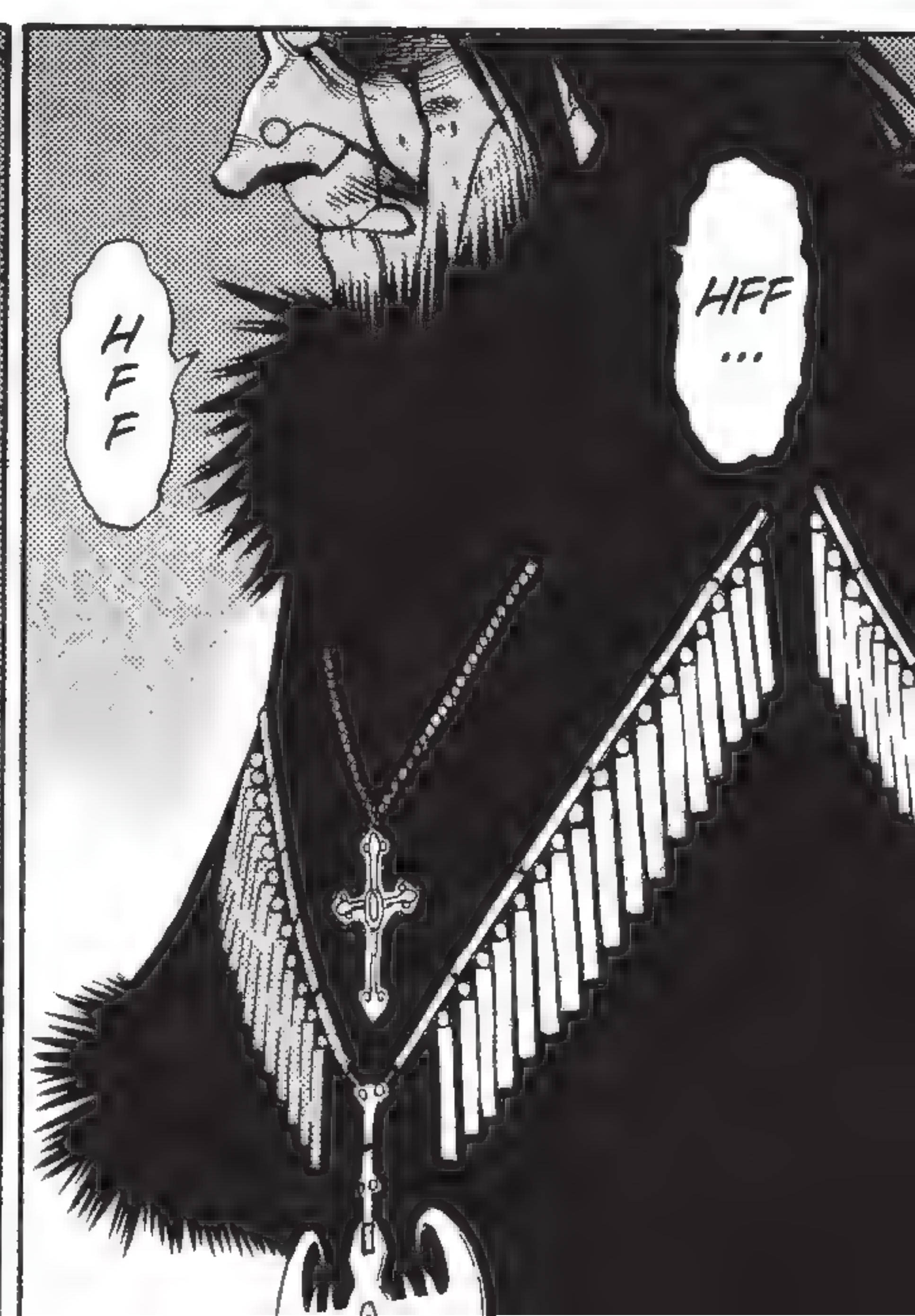
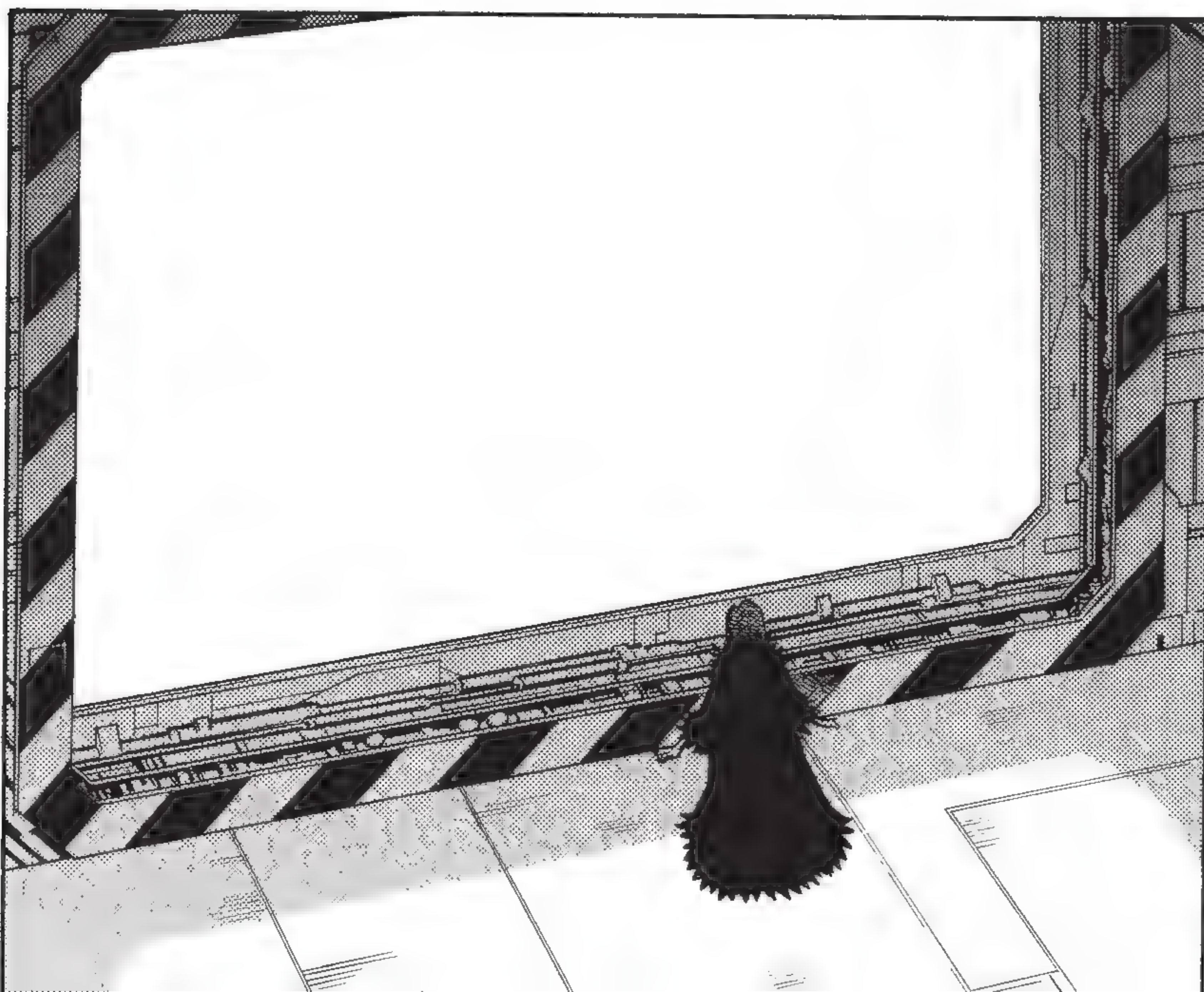
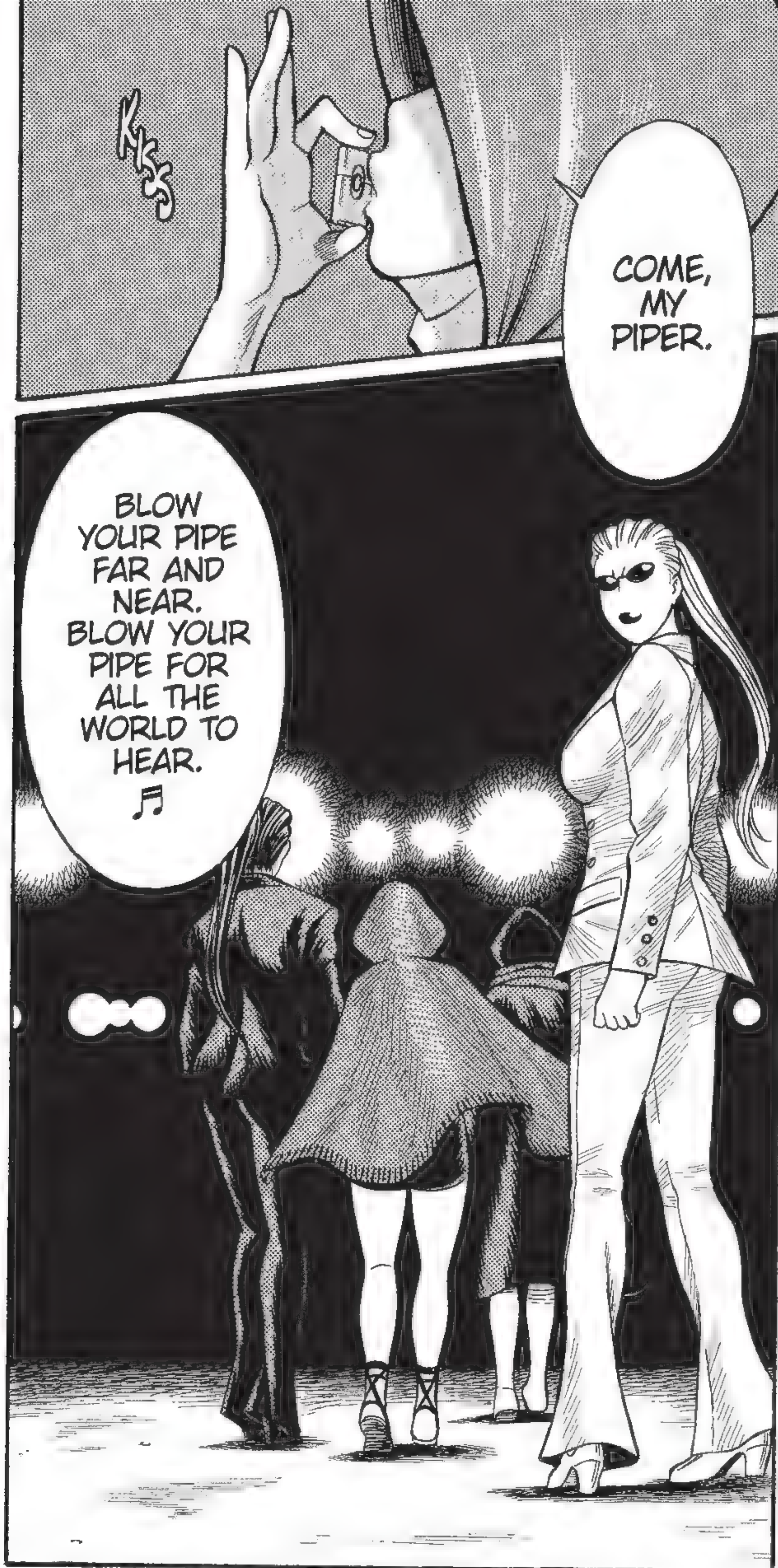
OH,  
DON'T  
BE SO  
UPSET.



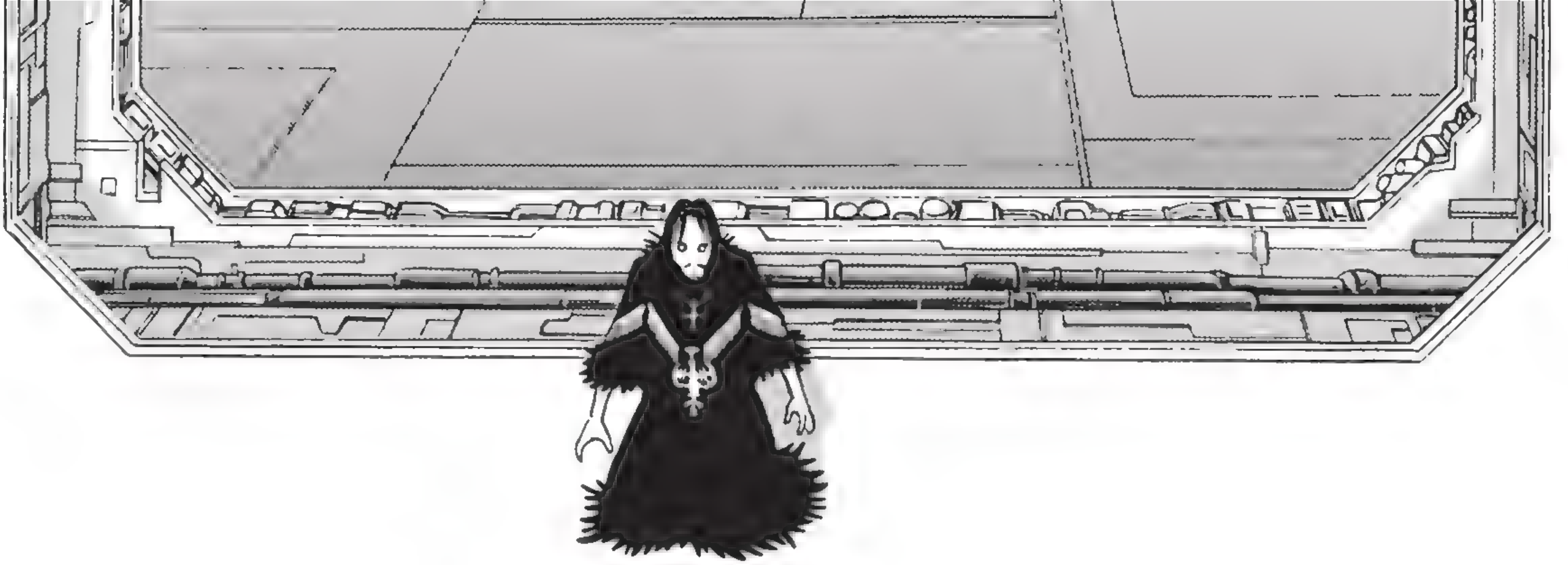
AH,  
YES.  
THAT'S  
RIGHT.  
YOU  
CAN'T  
SPEAK.

JUST  
LIKE  
THAT  
GIRL  
YOU AT-  
TEMPTED  
TO KILL.

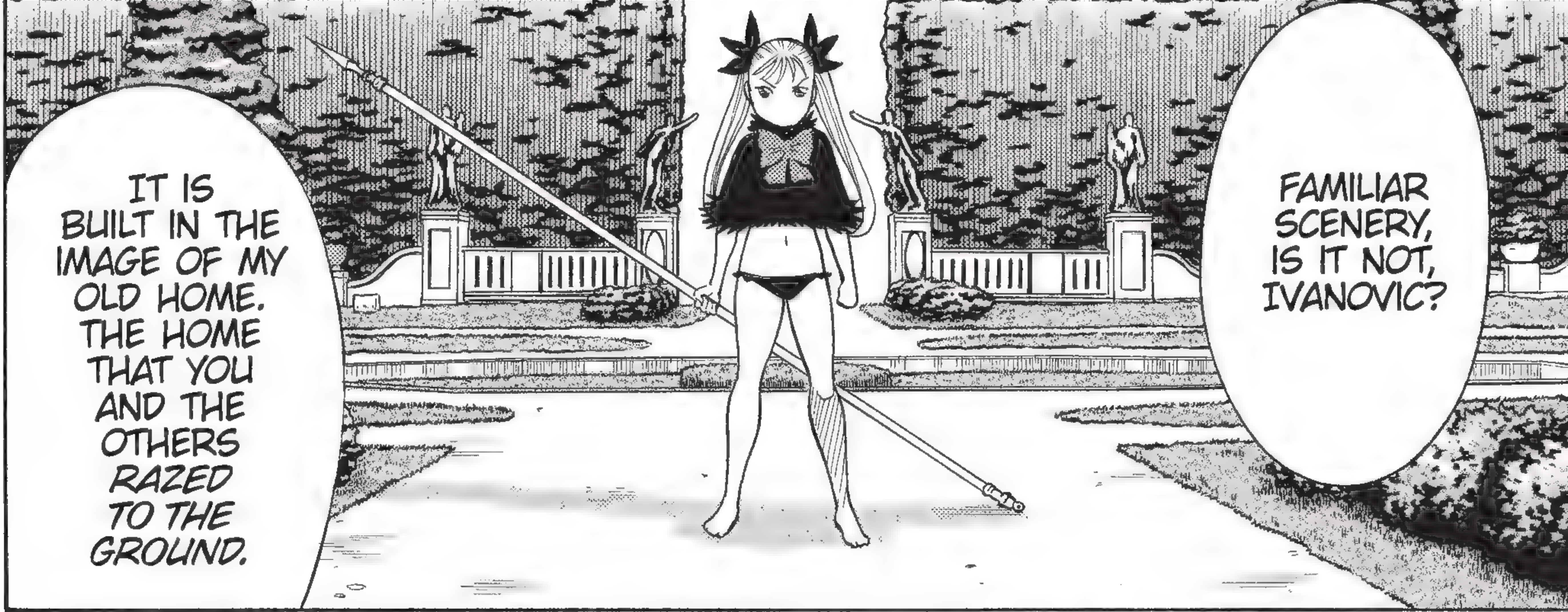












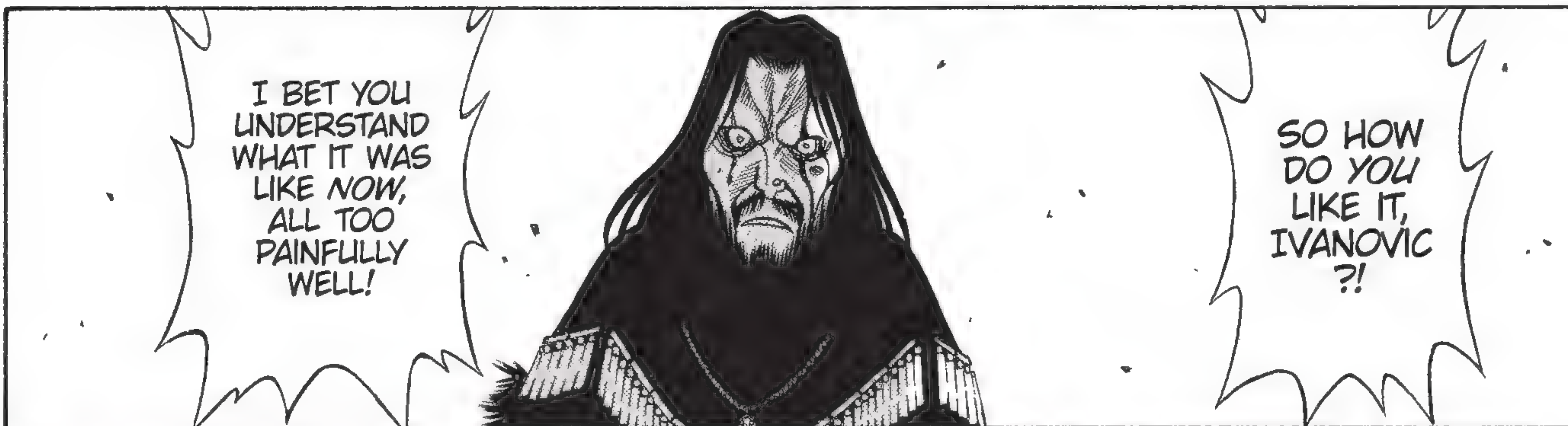
IT IS  
BUILT IN THE  
IMAGE OF MY  
OLD HOME.  
THE HOME  
THAT YOU  
AND THE  
OTHERS  
RAZED  
TO THE  
GROUND.

FAMILIAR  
SCENERY,  
IS IT NOT,  
IVANOVIC?



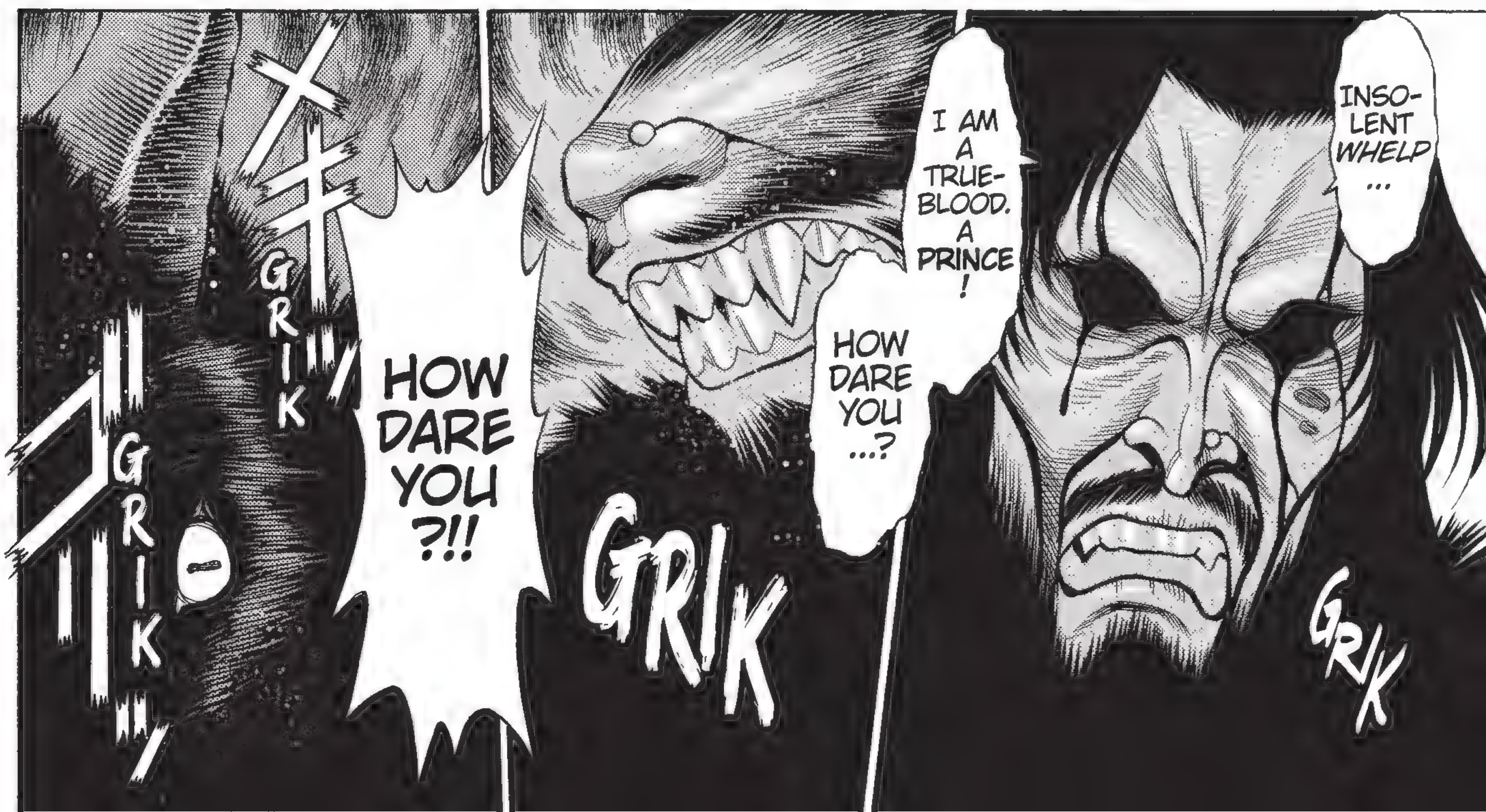
THE CRUSHING  
SENSE OF LOSS.  
THE IMPOTENT  
RAGE. I  
REMEMBER IT ALL  
WITH PERFECT  
CLARITY, LIKE IT  
HAPPENED JUST  
YESTERDAY.

I BARELY  
MANAGED TO  
ESCAPE THAT  
DAY, CARRIED  
ON THE BACK  
OF MY FEW  
SURVIVING  
RETAINERS.



I BET YOU  
UNDERSTAND  
WHAT IT WAS  
LIKE NOW,  
ALL TOO  
PAINFULLY  
WELL!

SO HOW  
DO YOU  
LIKE IT,  
IVANOVIC  
?!



HOW  
DARE  
YOU  
?!!

HOW  
DARE  
YOU  
...?

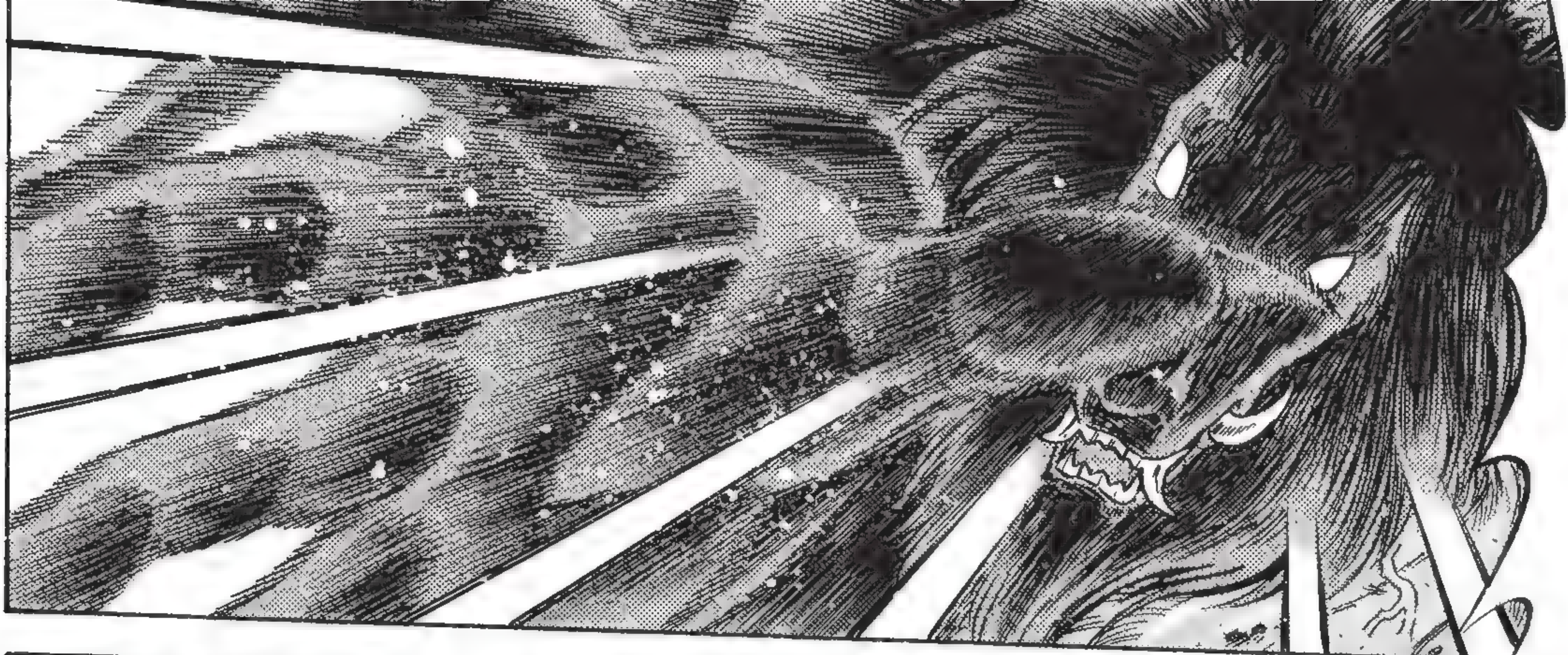
I AM  
A  
TRUE-  
BLOOD.  
A  
PRINCE  
!

INSO-  
LENT  
WHELP  
...

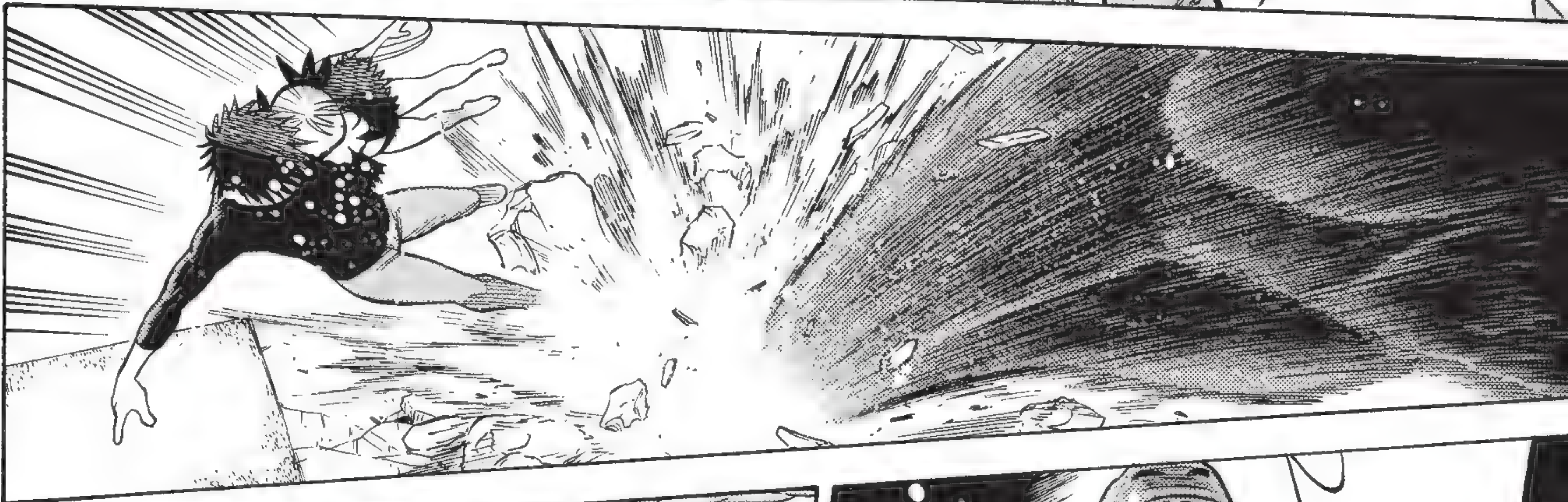






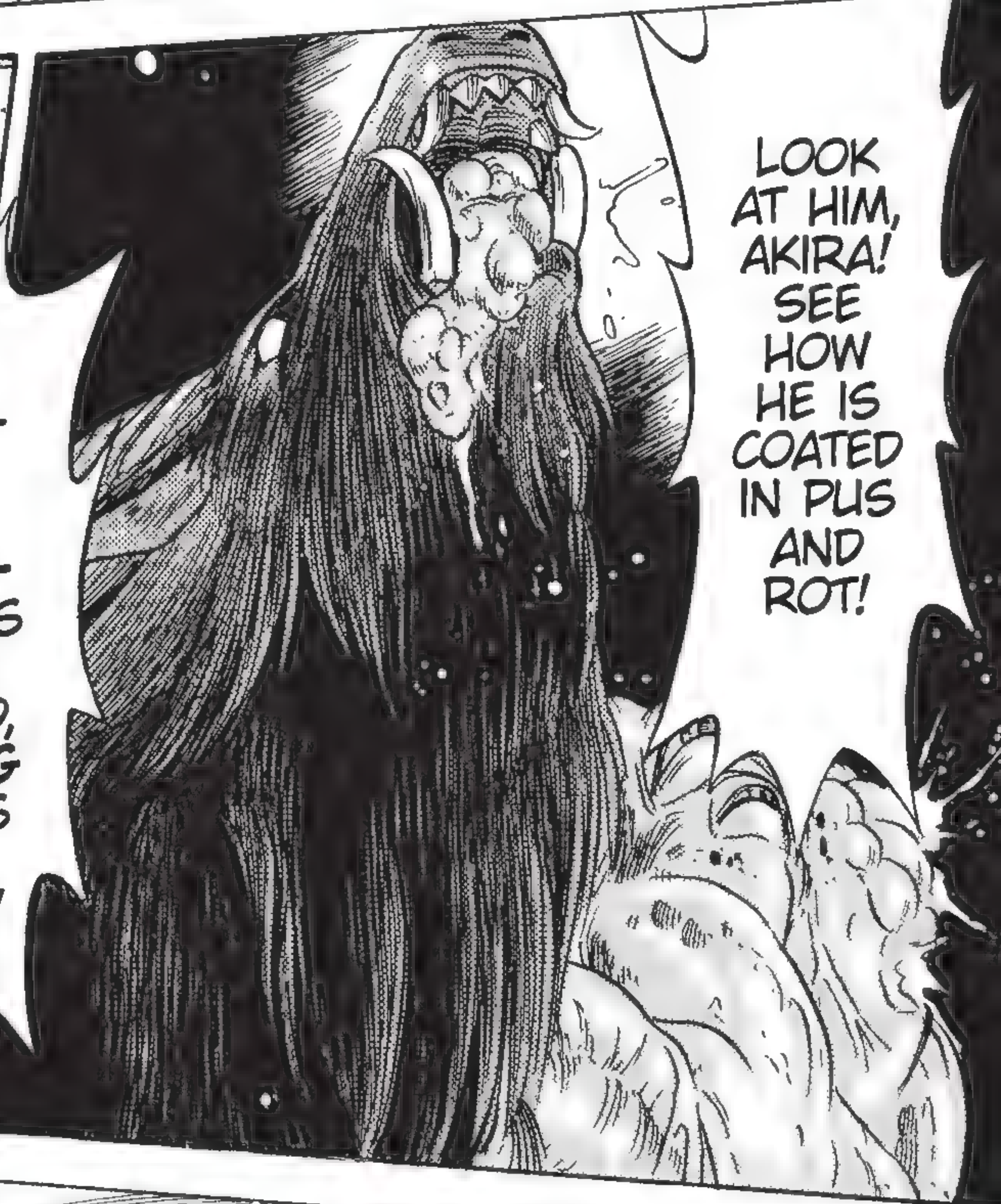


M  
I  
N  
A  
A  
A  
!!!



THAT  
IS THE  
TRUE  
FORM OF  
THOSE  
WHO CALL  
THEM-  
SELVES  
"TRUE-  
BLOODED"  
VAMPIRES!!

FOR  
HUN-  
DREDS--  
NO,  
THOU-  
SANDS--  
OF YEARS  
HAS HE  
SO LIVED,  
DECAYING  
WITH HIS  
EVERY  
BREATH!



LOOK  
AT HIM,  
AKIRA!  
SEE  
HOW  
HE IS  
COATED  
IN PUS  
AND  
ROT!



RIGHT  
BE-  
HIND  
YOU!!

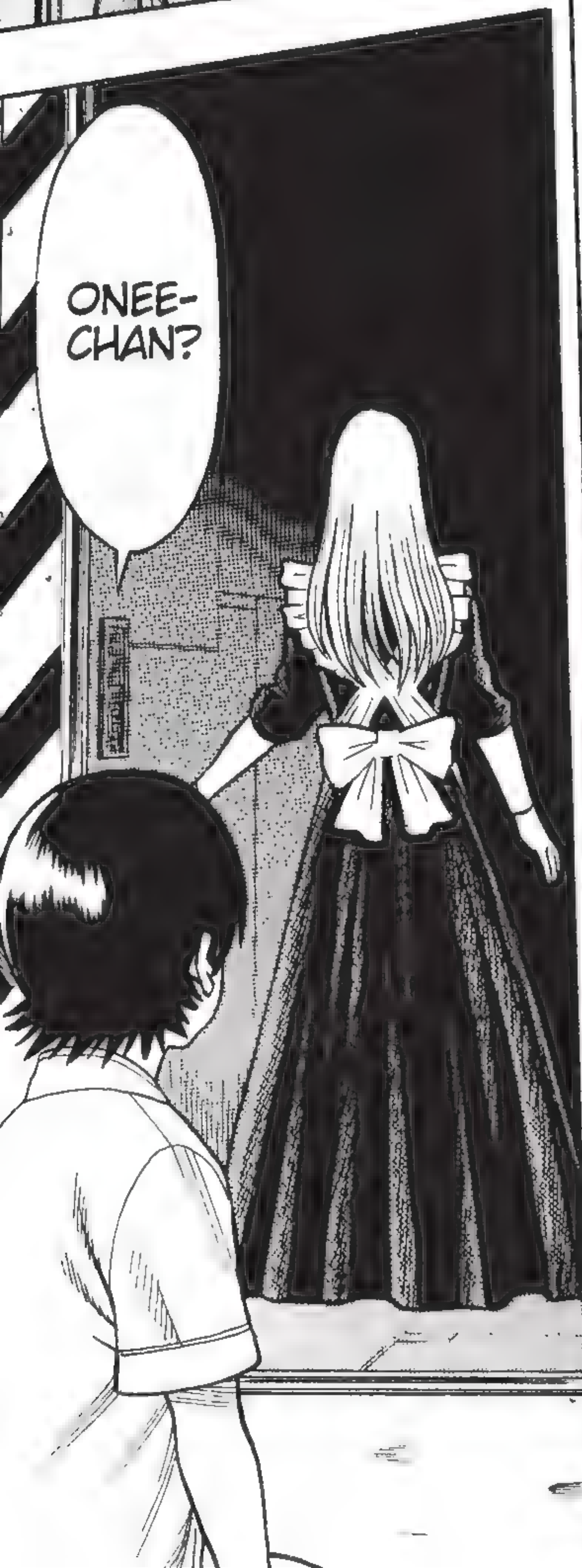
COME,  
AKIRA!

BUT  
THAT  
ENDS  
TODAY!





! IT'S START-ED.

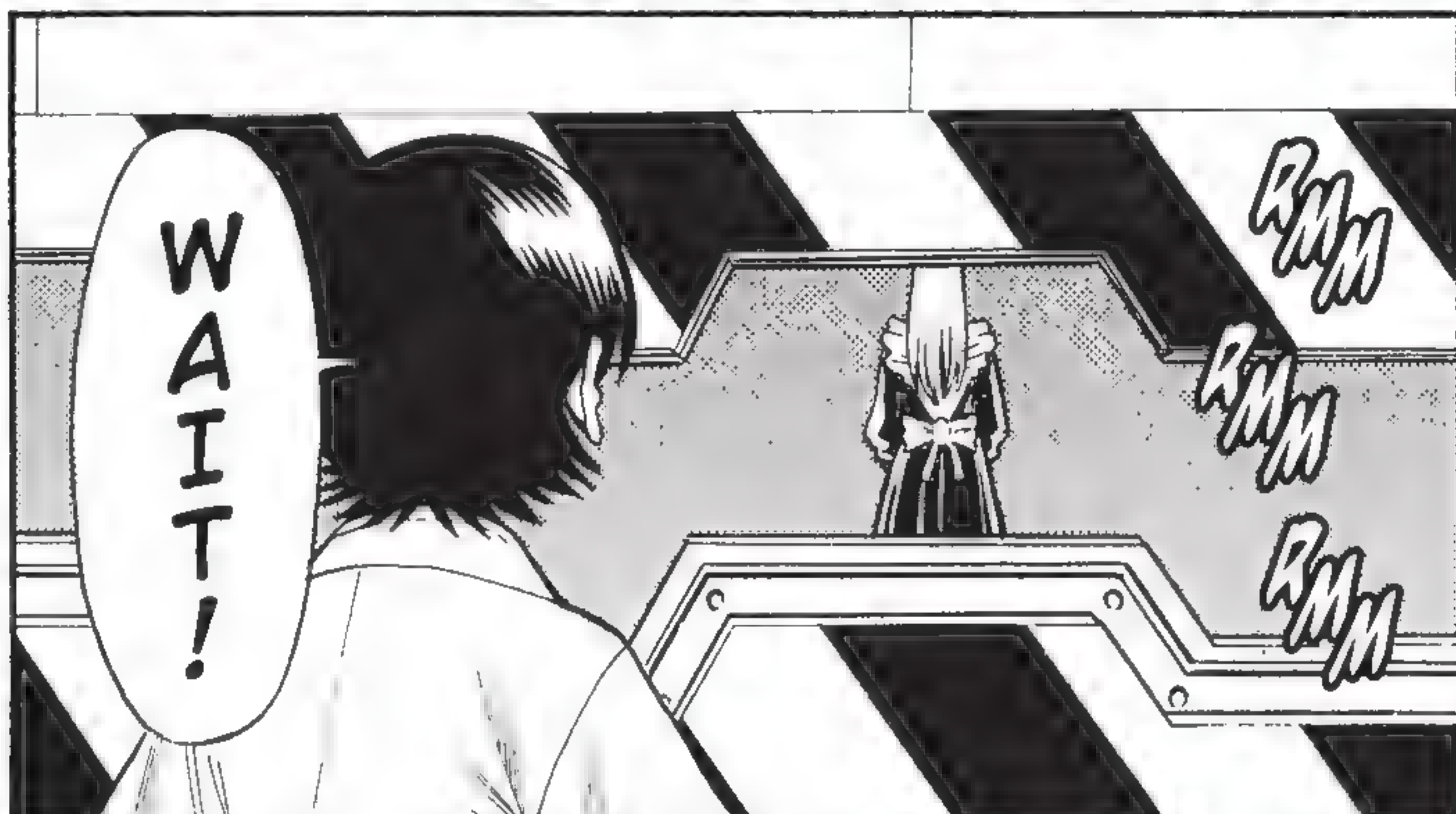


ONEE-CHAN?

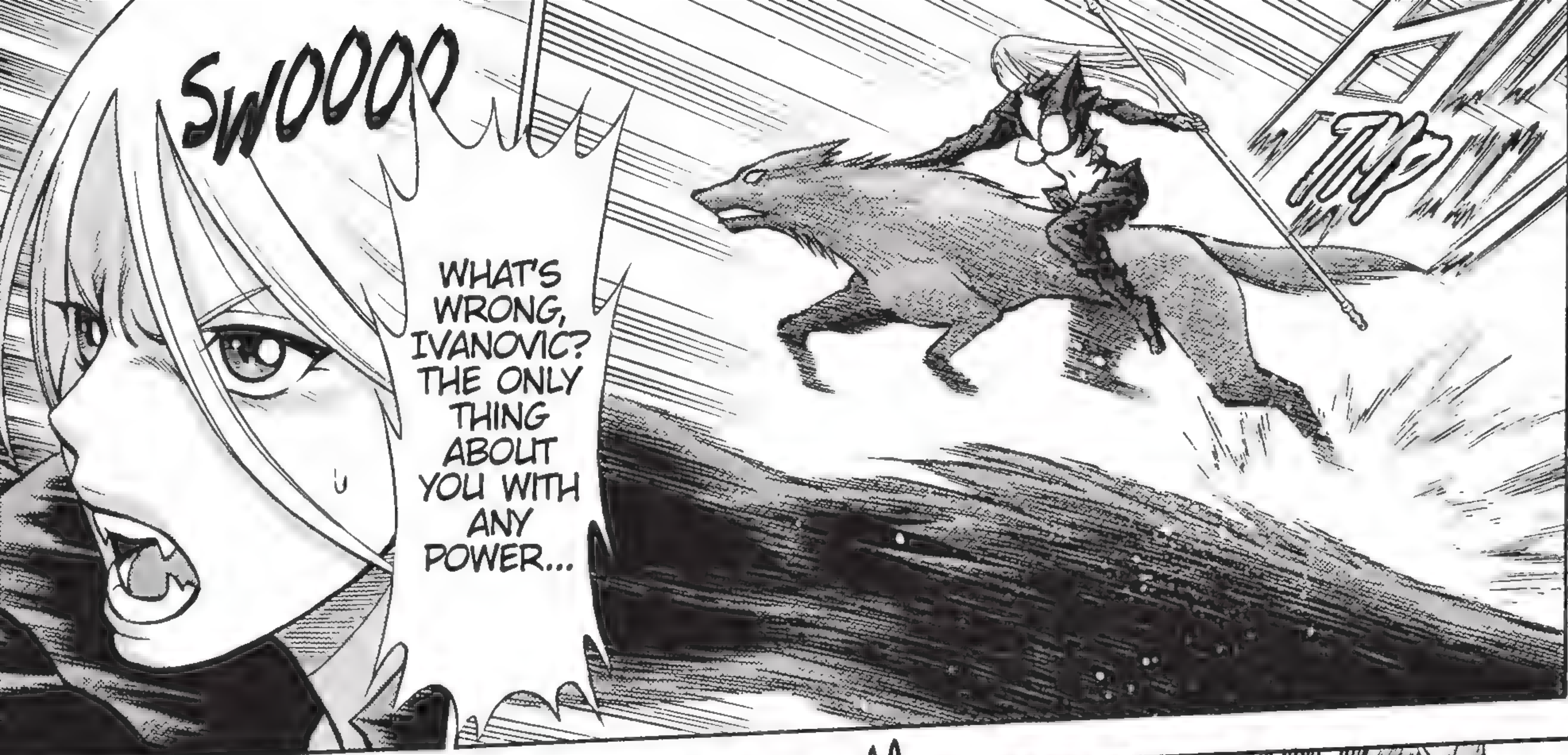


FWOOO









WHAT'S  
WRONG,  
IVANOVIC?  
THE ONLY  
THING  
ABOUT  
YOU WITH  
ANY  
POWER...



IS  
YOUR  
STENCH  
!!

SLICE

AGAIN...  
COMPLETION  
WILL BE  
DELAYED...

RMB RMB





MY  
MO-  
THER!

MY  
COUN-  
TRY!

MY  
PRIDE  
!!

YOU  
STOLE  
EVERY-  
THING  
FROM  
ME!



IT IS  
NOW  
MY  
TURN  
TO  
STEAL  
FROM  
YOU!

BUT  
YOU  
WILL  
NOT  
TAKE  
MY  
CITY!



KRASH



THIS IS  
YOUR  
PUNISH-  
MENT FOR  
DARING  
TO  
BETRAY  
YOUR  
RIGHTFUL  
QUEEN!!

THWACK









GET  
YOUR  
DAMN  
HANDS...



OFF  
OF  
HER  
!!



HNN  
!!





SHLOK

SMASH!

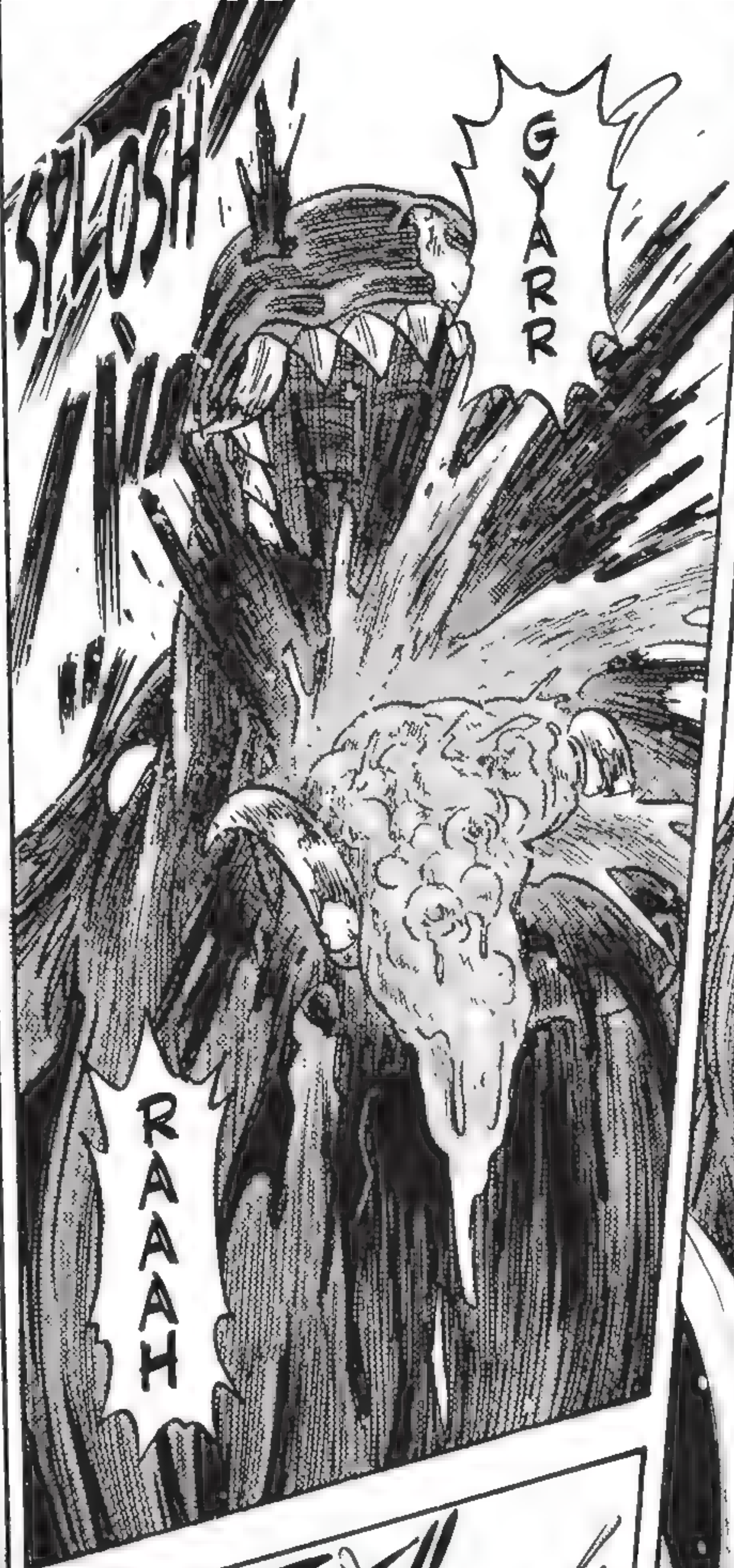
STOMP

KRISH




LIE  
THERE  
AND  
ROT,  
TRAITOR.

THAT IS  
WHAT YOU  
DESERVE  
FOR  
BETRAYING  
THE ROYAL  
FAMILY.








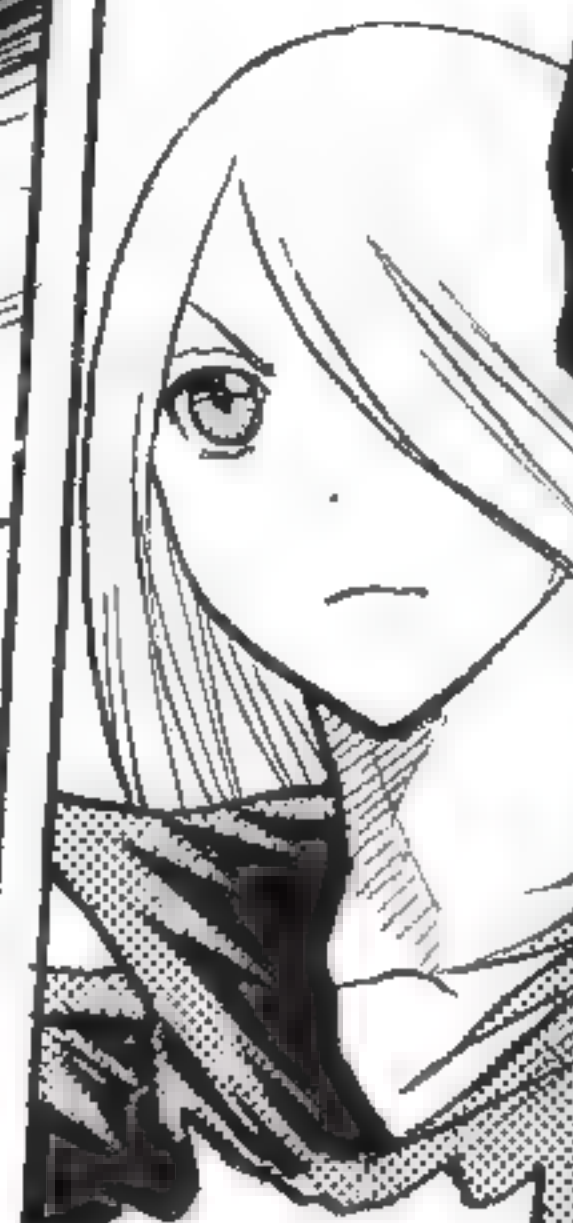
WHEN WE  
DISCOVERED  
THAT SHE  
HAD  
SNUBBED  
US--  
HER ONLY  
WORTHY  
SUITORS--  
TO CARRY THE  
CHILD OF AN  
UNKNOWN  
MAN...

YOU...  
YOU WERE  
THE ONE  
WHO  
STARTED IT.  
ILLEGITIMATE,  
BASTARD  
CHILD YOU  
ARE.

BE...  
BE-  
TRAY  
...?!  


THAT  
THE LONG,  
GLORIOUS  
HISTORY  
OF TRUE  
VAMPIRES...  
HAD  
COME TO  
AN END!


WE  
BELIEVED  
THAT THE  
ROYAL  
FAMILY,  
THE LAST  
OF THE  
PUREST  
BLOOD,  
WAS AT AN  
END...



IT ALL  
BEGAN  
WHEN YOUR  
WHORE  
MOTHER,  
LUCRETIA,  
BORE  
YOU BY...  
SOME  
UNNAMED  
NOBODY!

!

THE  
QUEEN HAD  
ABANDONED  
HER DUTY  
TO HER  
PEOPLE...  
POLLUTING  
HER  
GLORIOUS  
BLOODLINE  
WITH THAT OF  
AN  
INFERIOR!



OUR  
REVOLT  
WAS  
JUSTIFIED!  
REVENGE  
WAS OUR  
RIGHT,  
AS WE  
WERE THE  
ONES  
BETRAYED!!

WE  
WERE  
THE  
ONES  
BE-  
TRAYED  
...FIRST!





THAT  
IS  
WHY  
WE...  
WE...

YES...  
WE  
WERE  
STUPE-  
FIED.  
HOW...?  
WHY...?

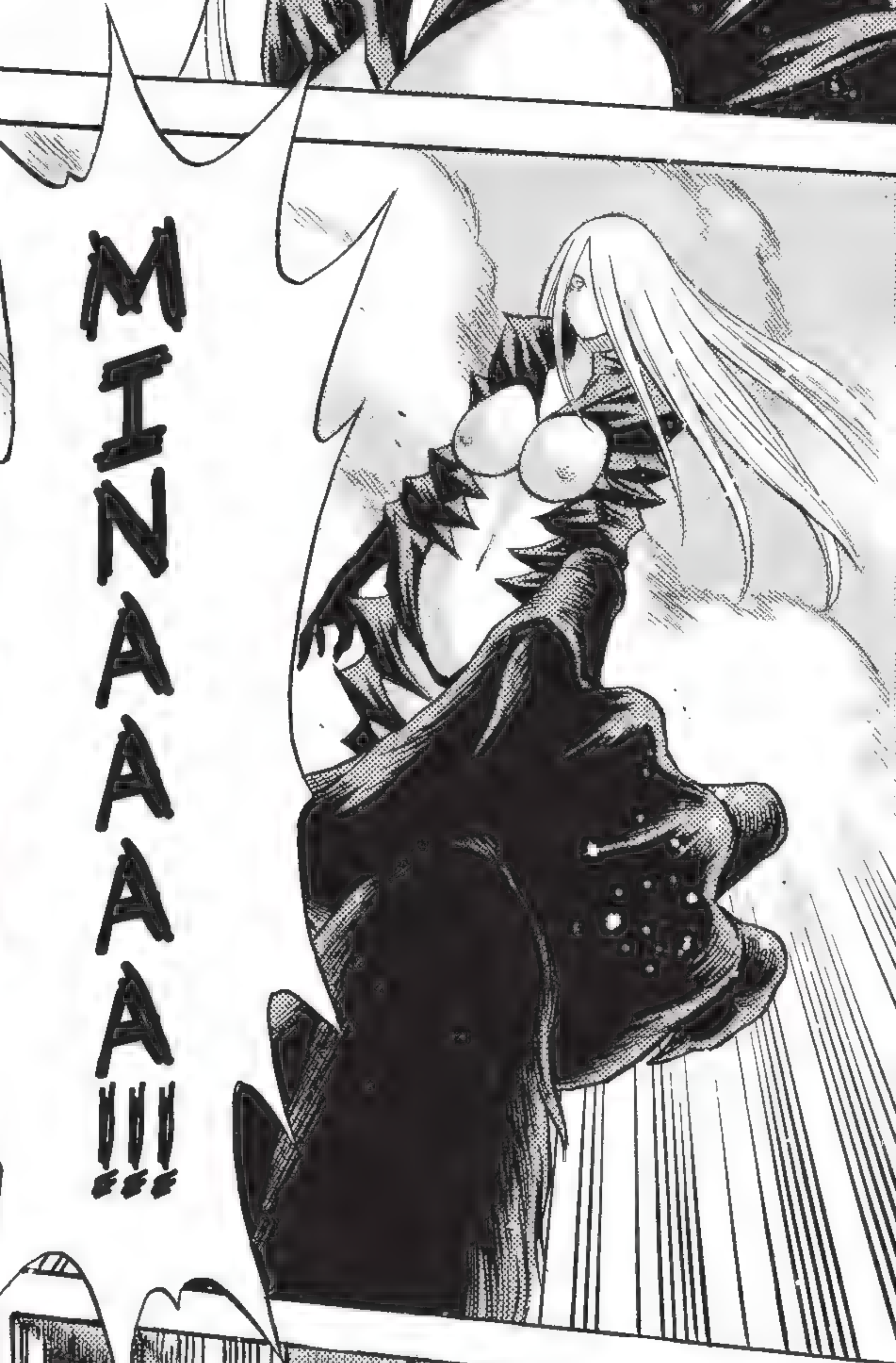
WITH  
THE FULL  
POWERS  
OF A  
TRUE-  
BLOOD  
VAMPIRE.



YET  
HERE  
I  
STAND...

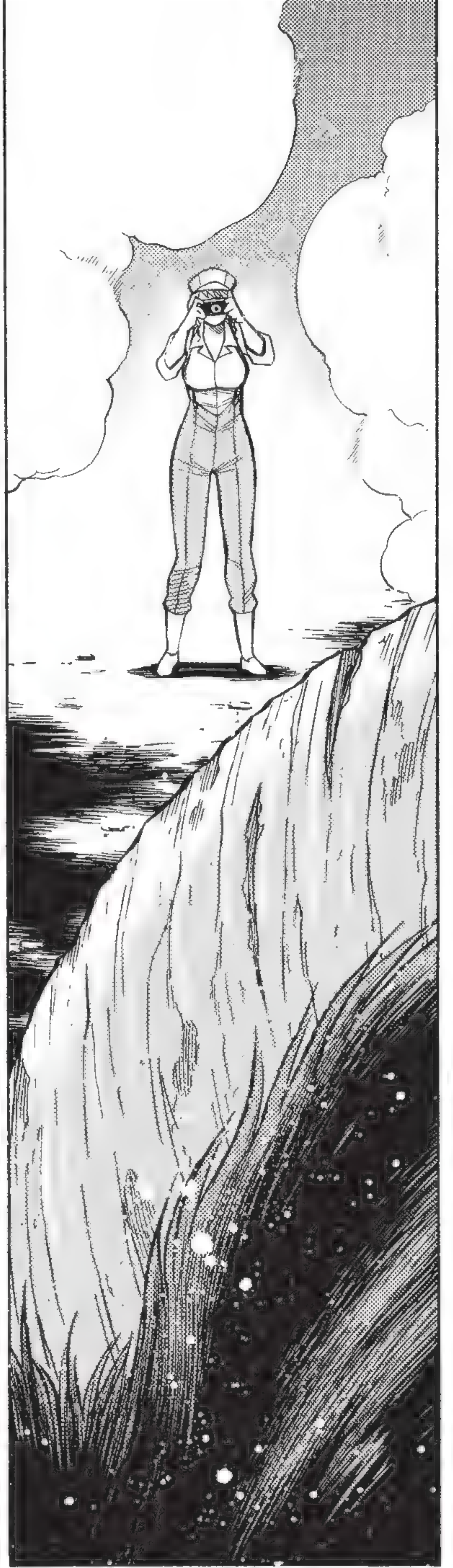


M  
I  
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M  
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MINUTES BEFORE SHE WAS TO BE DRAGGED OFF TO HIS BEDCHAMBER, SHE ATTEMPTED TO KILL HERSELF. I BARELY MANAGED TO RESCUE HER IN TIME.

ONLY ANASTASIA SURVIVED THE MURDER OF HER FAMILY, SAVED BY IVANOVIC'S UNHOLY LUST FOR HER.



IVANOVIC DISGUISED HIMSELF AS A PEASANT HEALER, INSINUATING HIMSELF INTO THE IMPERIAL FAMILY AND CONTROLLING THEM FROM BEHIND THE THRONE.

WHEN HE GOT WIND OF THE COMING BOLSHEVIK REVOLUTION, HE SOLD THEM OUT TO THE REDS AND "DIED," RETURNING AS "IVANOVIC" TO YET AGAIN CONTROL THE NEW REGIME FROM THE SHADOWS.



HUNH. BUT WHY WAS IVANOVIC SO STUCK ON NATA... I MEAN, PRINCESS ANASTASIA?



MAY HE BURN IN THE DEEPEST LEVEL OF HELL FOR ALL ETERNITY !!

FOUL LETCH...



SHE GREATLY RESEMBLED ME.

IT SEEMS THAT WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG...

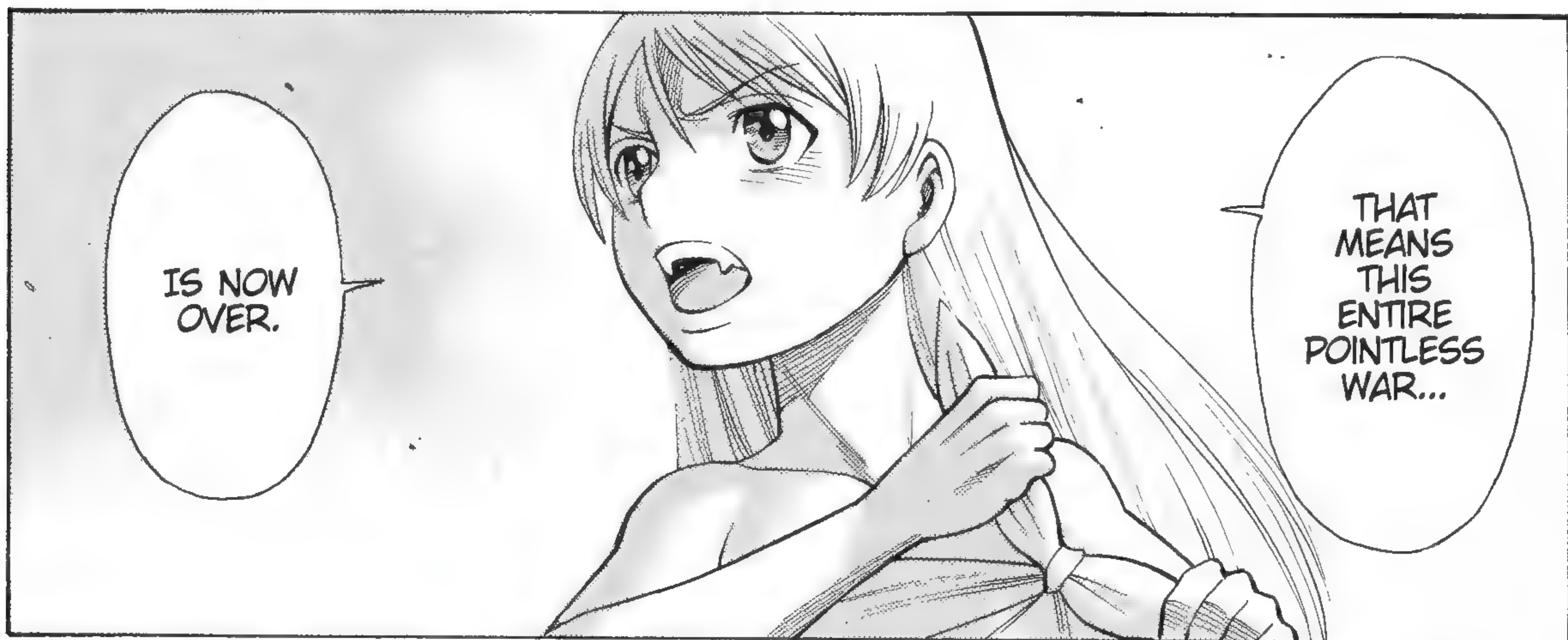




IT IS WORSE WITH IVANOVIC, AS HE WAS THE MASTER OF AN ENTIRE CLAN. RIGHT NOW, THE ENTIRE ENEMY FORCE IS UNDOUBTEDLY SHOCKED TO HELPLESSNESS.

AT THE MOMENT OF A MASTER'S DEATH, ALL HIS SUBORDINATE VAMPIRES ARE STUNNED AND CONFUSED.

SO NOW THAT IVANOVIC'S GONE, WHAT HAPPENS TO THE BATTLE TOPSIDE?

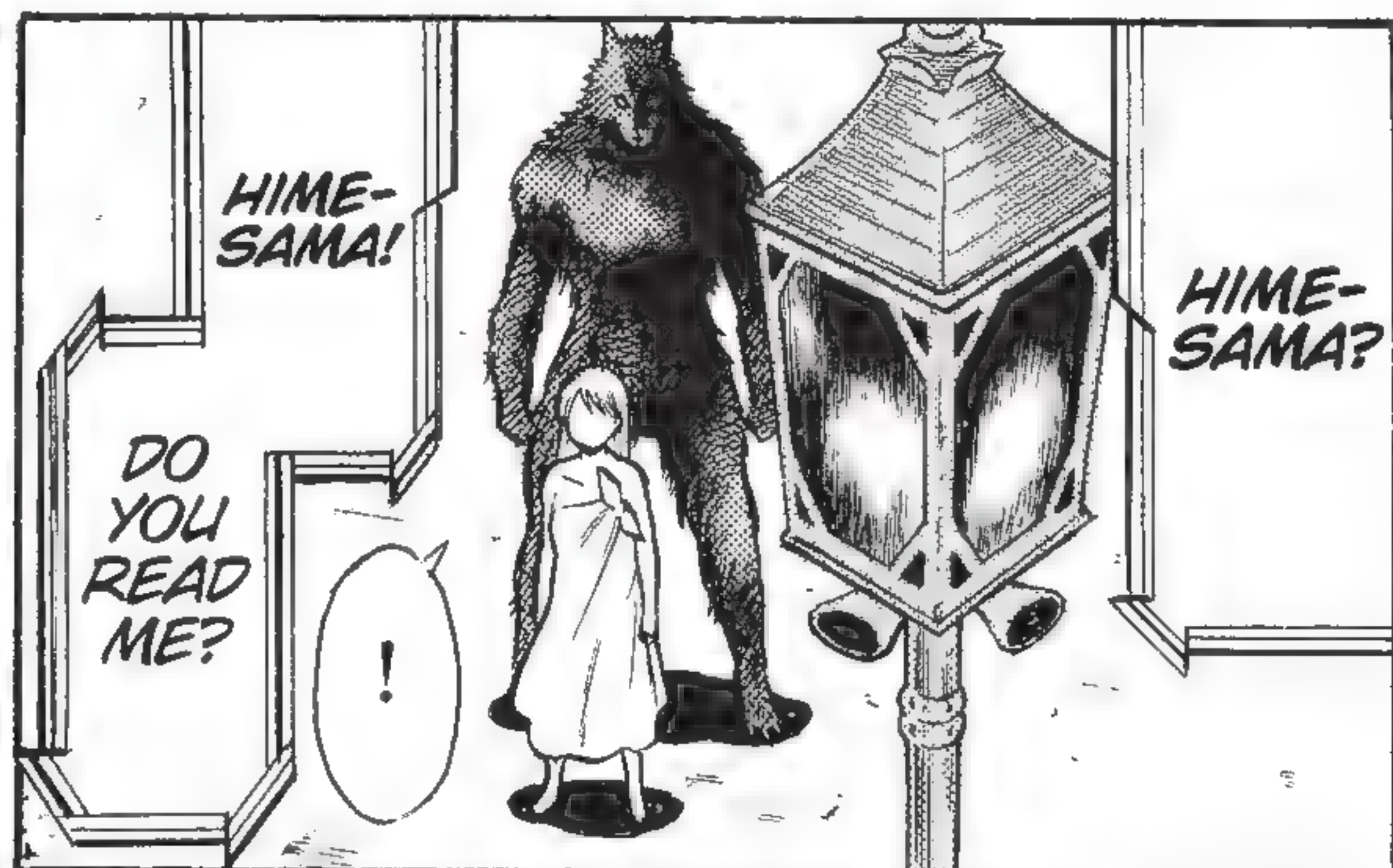


IS NOW OVER.

THAT MEANS THIS ENTIRE POINTLESS WAR...



IT'S PROMETHEUS... IT'S RUNNING AMOK!



HIME-SAMA!

DO YOU READ ME?

HIME-SAMA?



O-OF COURSE, RIGHT AWAY. THERE'S A NEW PROBLEM, THOUGH.

VERA? WE HAVE FINISHED HERE... IVANOVIC HAS DIED.

INFORM THE REMAINING ENEMY SOLDIERS THAT THEIR LEADER IS NO MORE.



IT IS ALSO IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO SEND IN ANYONE FROM THE OUTSIDE. EVERY SINGLE ROUTE FROM HERE HAS BEEN CLOSED OFF!

THE MISSILE STRIKE TO OUR CONTROL CENTER EARLIER RENDERED OUR REMOTE ACCESS POINT INOPERABLE.

SOMEONE HAS DIRECTLY ACCESSED PROMETHEUS'S MAIN CONTROL BOARD AND IS CONTROLLING IT.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT'S HAPPENING?

TELO-MERE.

BUT ONLY THOSE IN THE HIGHEST OF POSITIONS SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT WAS EVEN POSSIBLE!

YES. THE EMERGENCY SHUTTER PROGRAM WAS UPDATED.

CLOSED OFF...?!

NO WONDER THEY EVEN KNEW OF PROMETHEUS'S EXISTENCE...

I SEE...

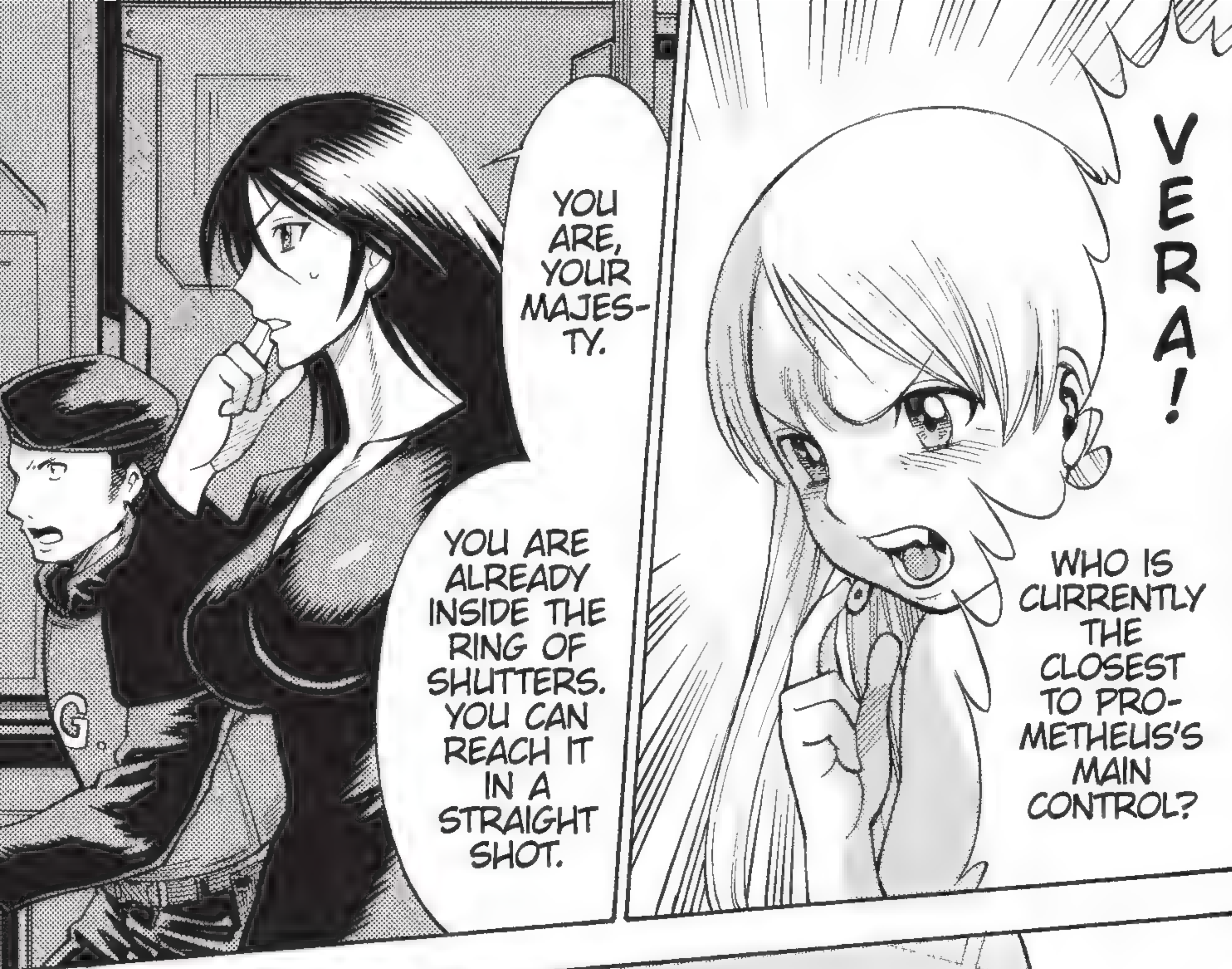
ANGIE...

THE POINT OF THIS WHOLE FARCE WAS TO GET THEM DIRECTLY INTO PROMETHEUS. IVANOVIC'S ATTACK WAS NOTHING BUT A DIVERSION.

AS PART OF THE SENATE OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS, HE HAD TOP-LEVEL CLEARANCE. GETTING THAT INTEL WOULD HAVE BEEN CHILD'S PLAY FOR HIM!

"THEY"?





YOU ARE,  
YOUR MAJES-  
TY.

YOU ARE  
ALREADY  
INSIDE THE  
RING OF  
SHUTTERS.  
YOU CAN  
REACH IT  
IN A  
STRAIGHT  
SHOT.

V  
E  
R  
A  
!

WHO IS  
CURRENTLY  
THE  
CLOSEST  
TO PRO-  
METHEUS'S  
MAIN  
CONTROL?



LET'S  
GO,  
AKIRA!

UNDER-  
STOOD!  
LEAVE  
IT TO  
US!



HIME-  
SAMA...  
PLEASE  
BE  
SAFE...



YOU  
WERE  
WELL-  
PLAYED,  
IVANOVIC  
...

AND  
YOU FELL  
FOR IT,  
HOOK,  
LINE,  
AND  
SINKER.





IT IS  
THE  
SECRET  
HEART  
OF THE  
BLIND.

A PRES-  
SURIZED  
WATER  
REACTOR  
WE BUILT  
FOR  
INTERNAL  
ELECTRIC-  
ITY GEN-  
ERATION.

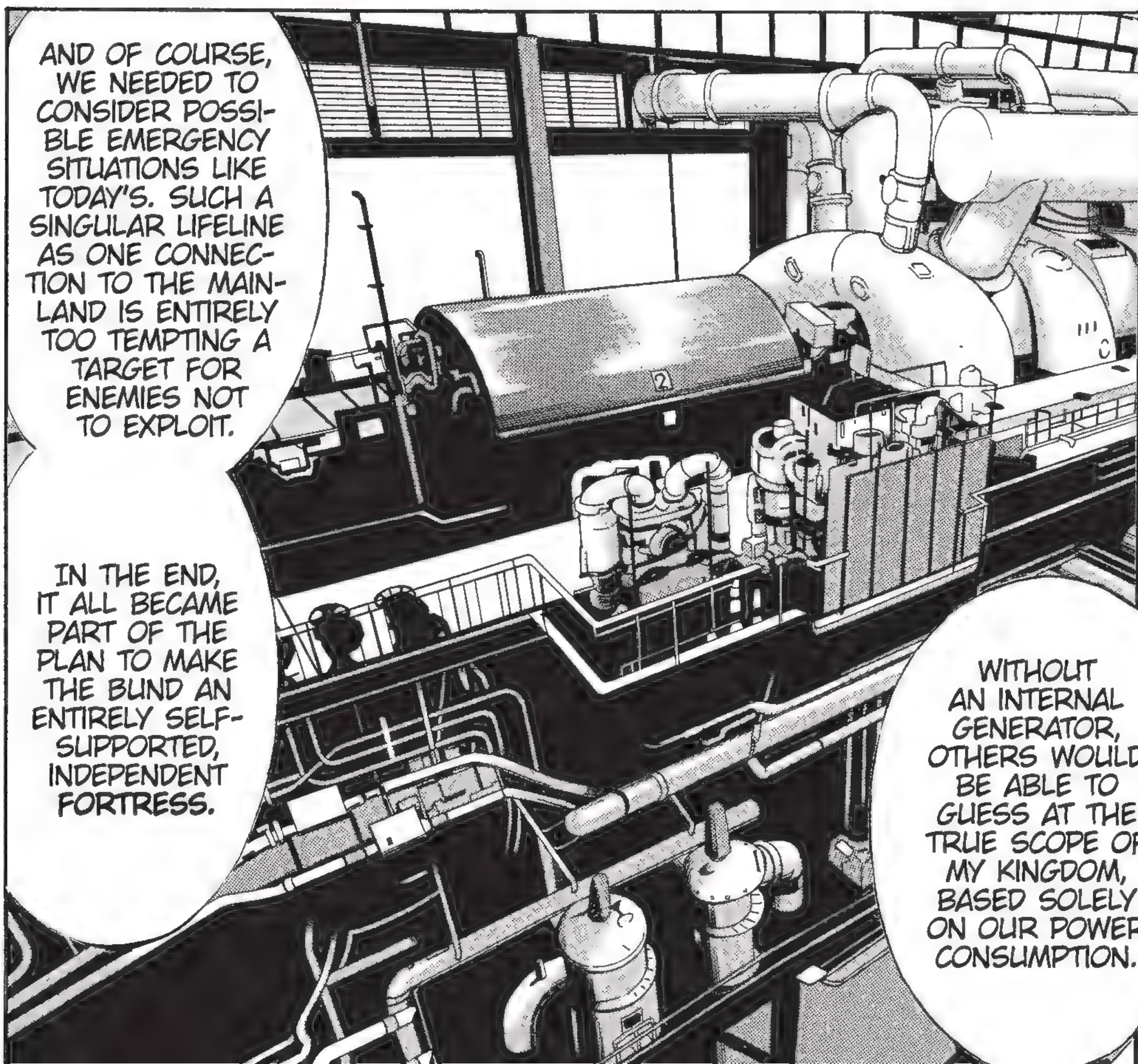


SO  
WHAT'S  
PRO-  
METHEUS,  
HIME-  
SAN?



I THOUGHT  
WE WERE  
PULLING OUR  
ELECTRICITY  
FROM THE  
MAIN ISLAND!!

NOBODY  
EVER  
TOLD ME  
WE HAD  
ONE OF  
THOSE!!  
  
A  
NU-  
CLEAR  
REAC-  
TOR?!!



AND OF COURSE,  
WE NEEDED TO  
CONSIDER POSSI-  
BLE EMERGENCY  
SITUATIONS LIKE  
TODAY'S. SUCH A  
SINGULAR LIFELINE  
AS ONE CONNEC-  
TION TO THE MAIN-  
LAND IS ENTIRELY  
TOO TEMPTING A  
TARGET FOR  
ENEMIES NOT  
TO EXPLOIT.

IN THE END,  
IT ALL BECAME  
PART OF THE  
PLAN TO MAKE  
THE BLIND AN  
ENTIRELY SELF-  
SUPPORTED,  
INDEPENDENT  
FORTRESS.



ONLY TO  
POWER  
THE  
SURFACE,  
THE  
BAREST  
FRACTION  
OF THE  
WHOLE  
BLIND.

WITHOUT  
AN INTERNAL  
GENERATOR,  
OTHERS WOULD  
BE ABLE TO  
GUESS AT THE  
TRUE SCOPE OF  
MY KINGDOM,  
BASED SOLELY  
ON OUR POWER  
CONSUMPTION.

THE VAST  
MAJORITY OF  
THE BLIND IS  
IN FACT  
COMPRISED OF  
AREAS NOT  
DISCLOSED TO  
THE PUBLIC,  
NOT THE LEAST  
OF WHICH IS  
THE CRADLE.

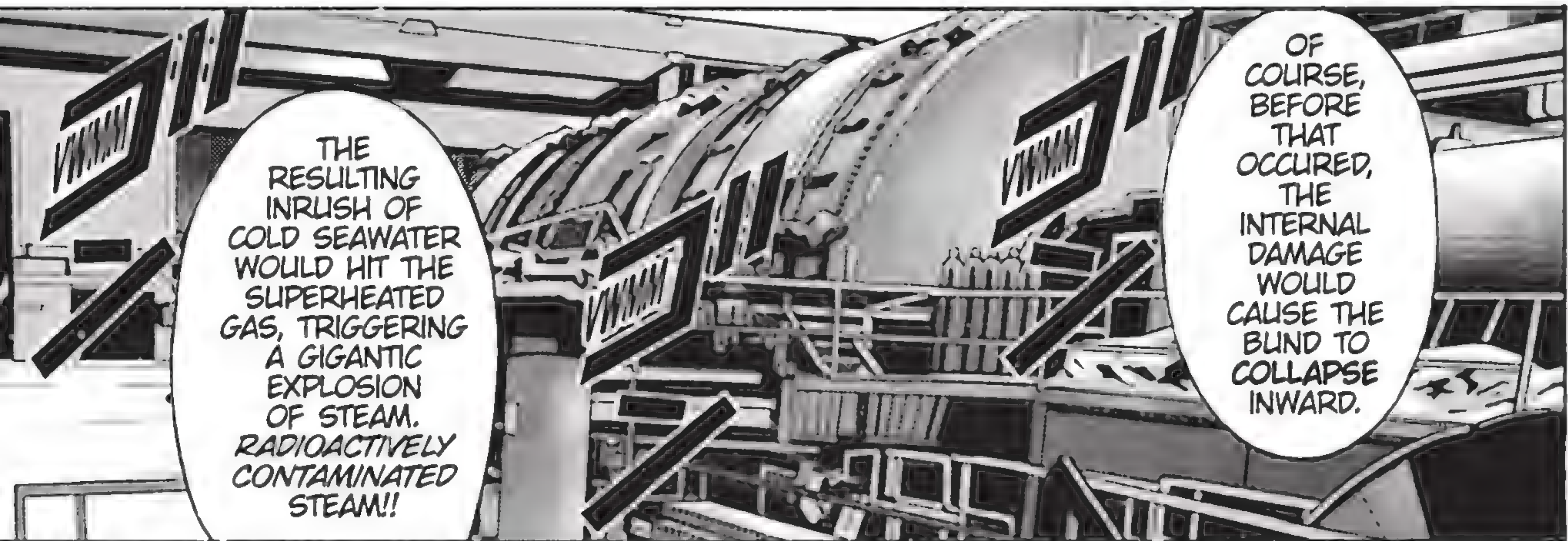




SPILLING  
RADIOACTIVE  
FUEL INTO  
THE OPEN,  
AND TURNING  
THIS ISLAND  
INTO A HELL  
OF SUPER-  
HEATED  
GAS AND  
RADIATION.

IF THE  
REACTOR  
GOES  
CRITICAL,  
THE EXTREME  
HEAT OF  
THE NUCLEAR  
REACTION  
WILL MELT  
THE REACTOR  
CORE...

SO WHAT  
HAPPENS  
IF THE  
REACTOR  
DOES GO  
NUTS?!

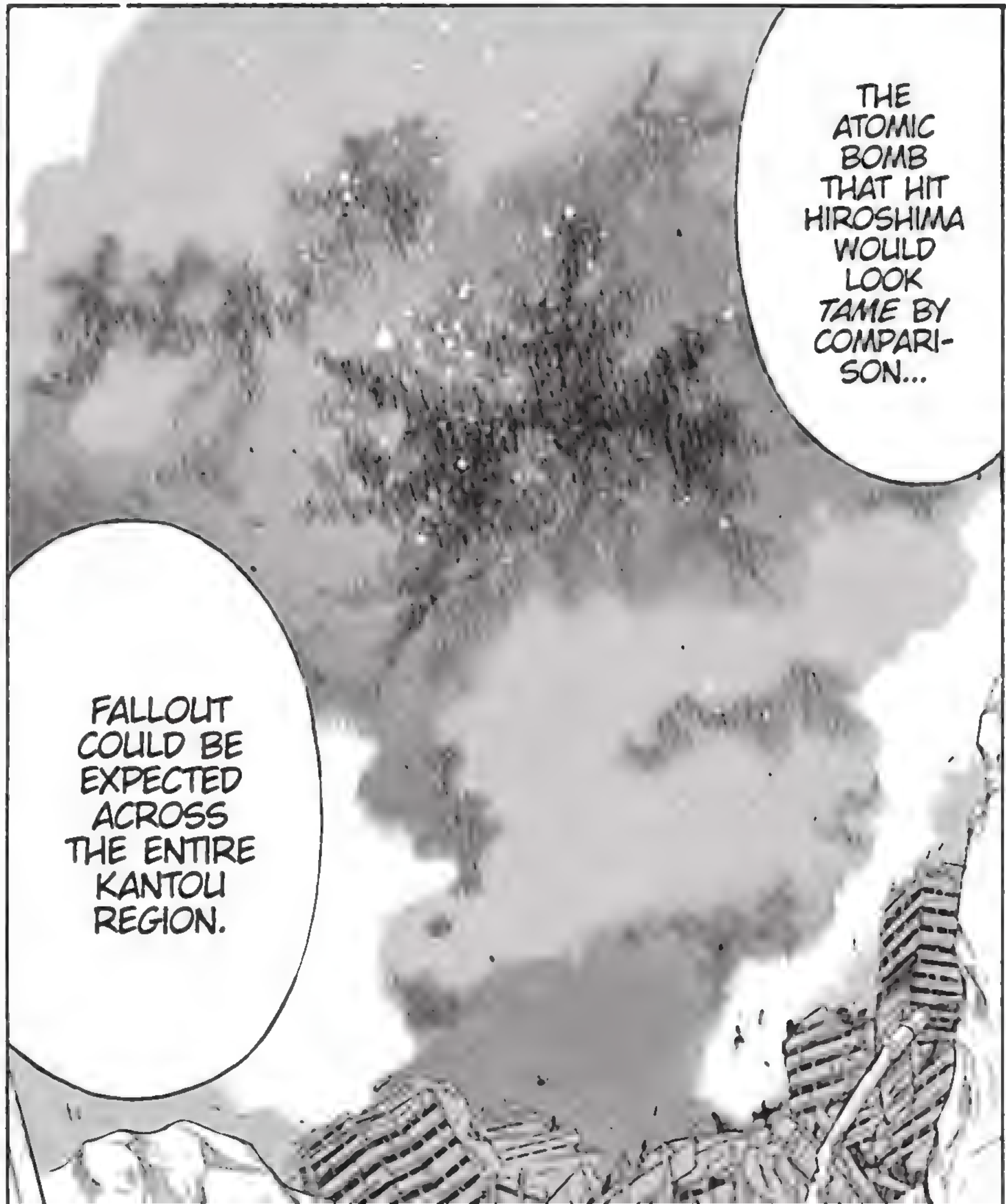


THE  
RESULTING  
INRUSH OF  
COLD SEAWATER  
WOULD HIT THE  
SUPERHEATED  
GAS, TRIGGERING  
A GIGANTIC  
EXPLOSION OF STEAM.  
RADIOACTIVELY  
CONTAMINATED  
STEAM!!

OF  
COURSE,  
BEFORE  
THAT  
OCCURED,  
THE  
INTERNAL  
DAMAGE  
WOULD  
CAUSE THE  
BLIND TO  
COLLAPSE  
INWARD.



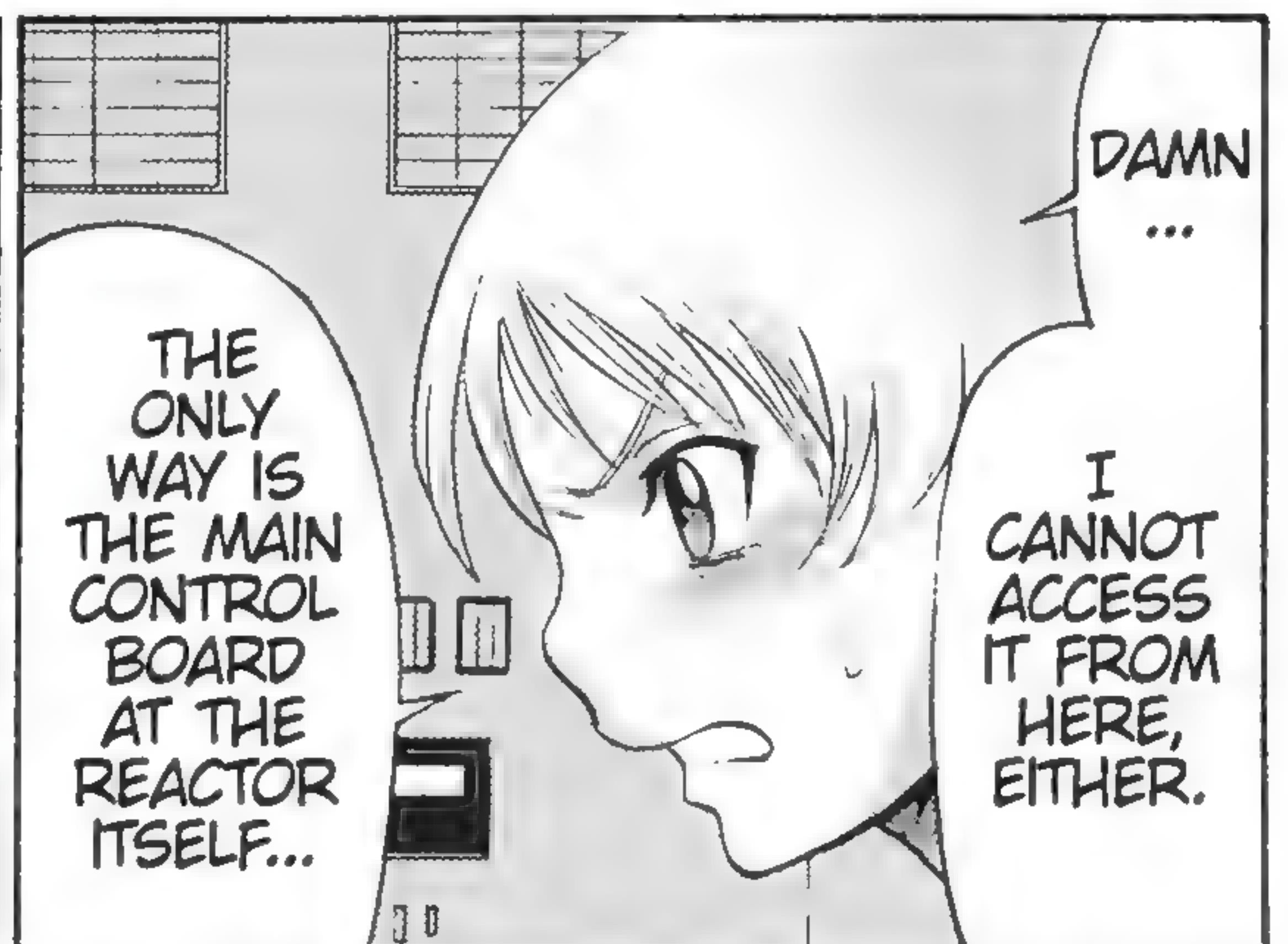
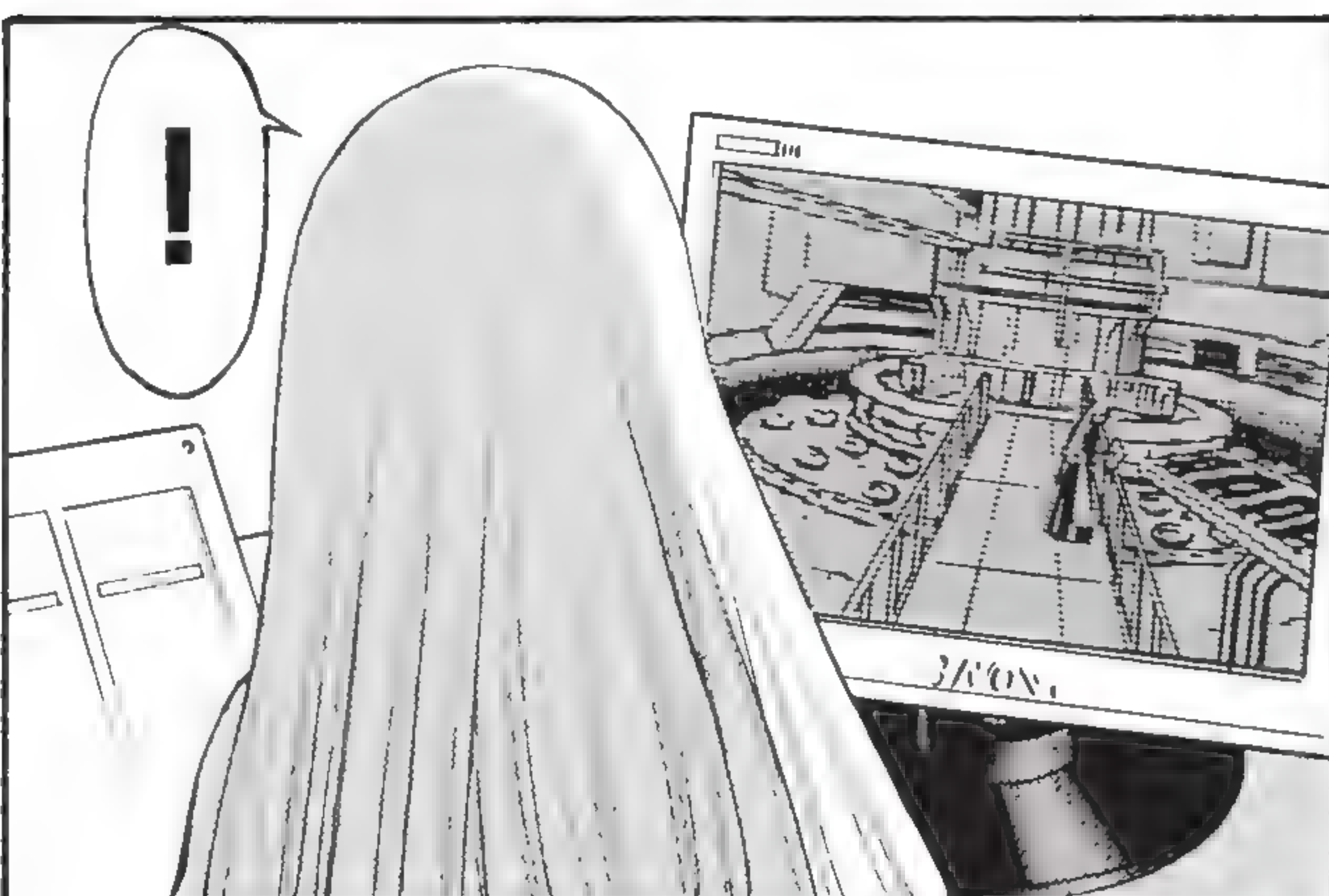
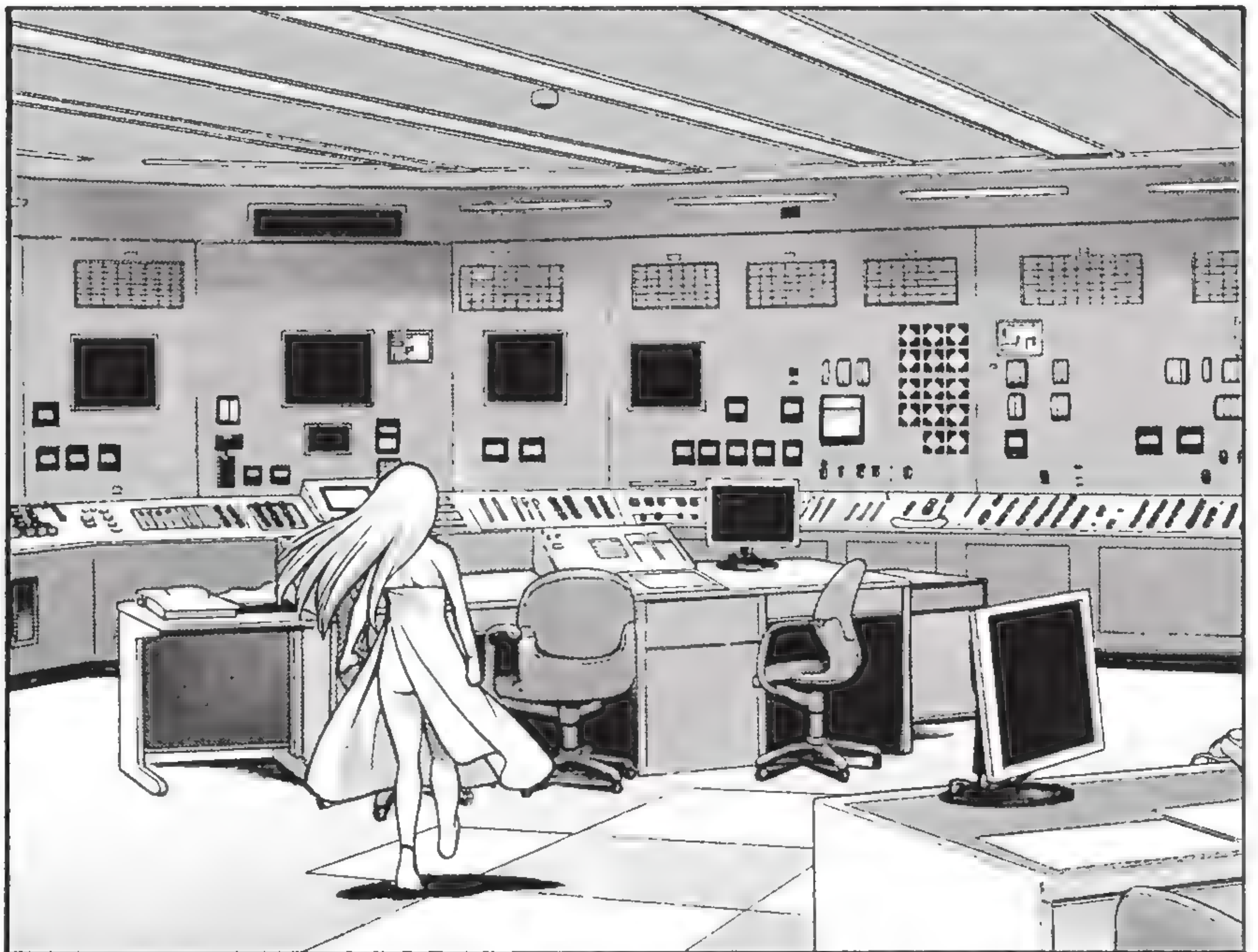
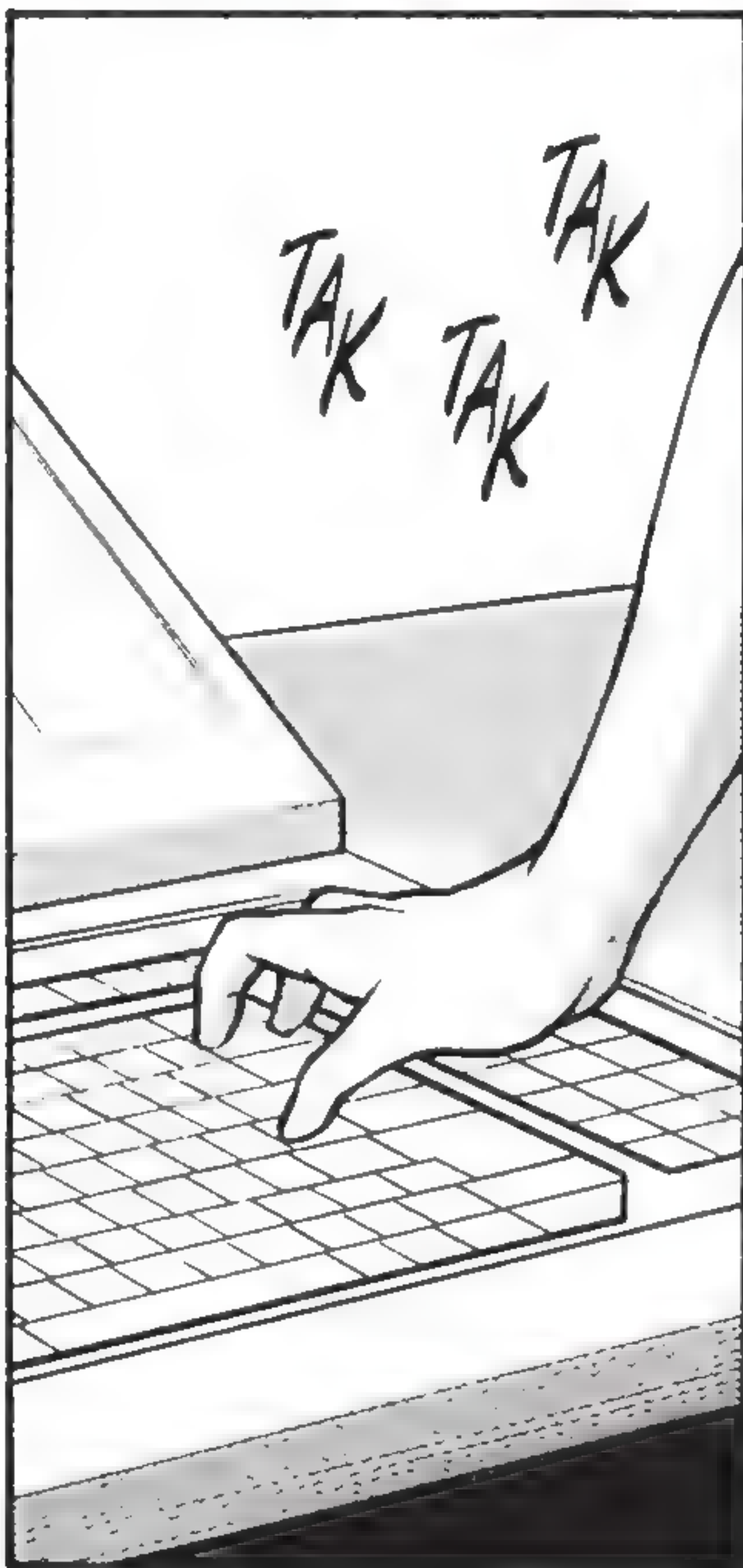
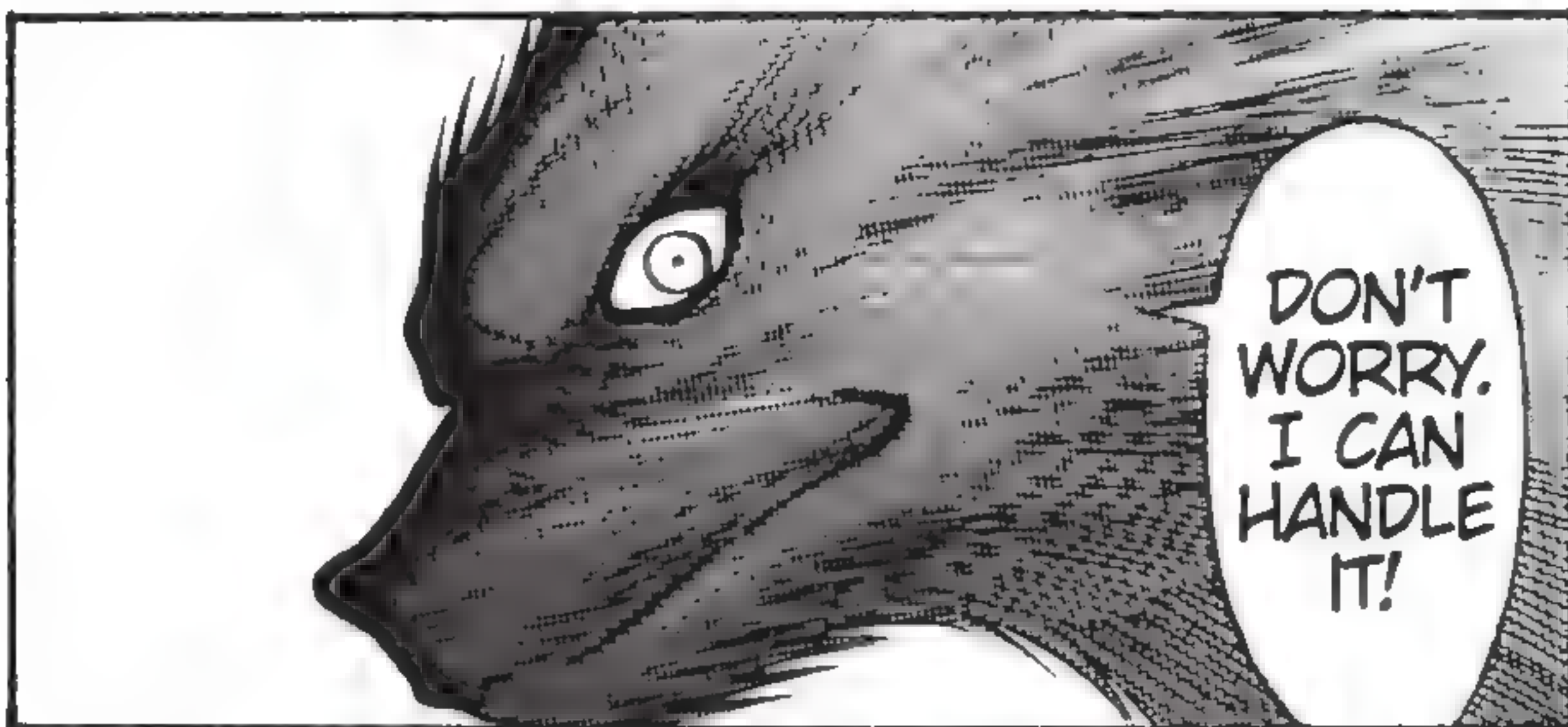
HOLY  
SHIT!  
THE  
KIND OF  
DAMAGE  
THAT  
COULD DO  
WOULD  
BE CATA-  
STROPH-  
IC!



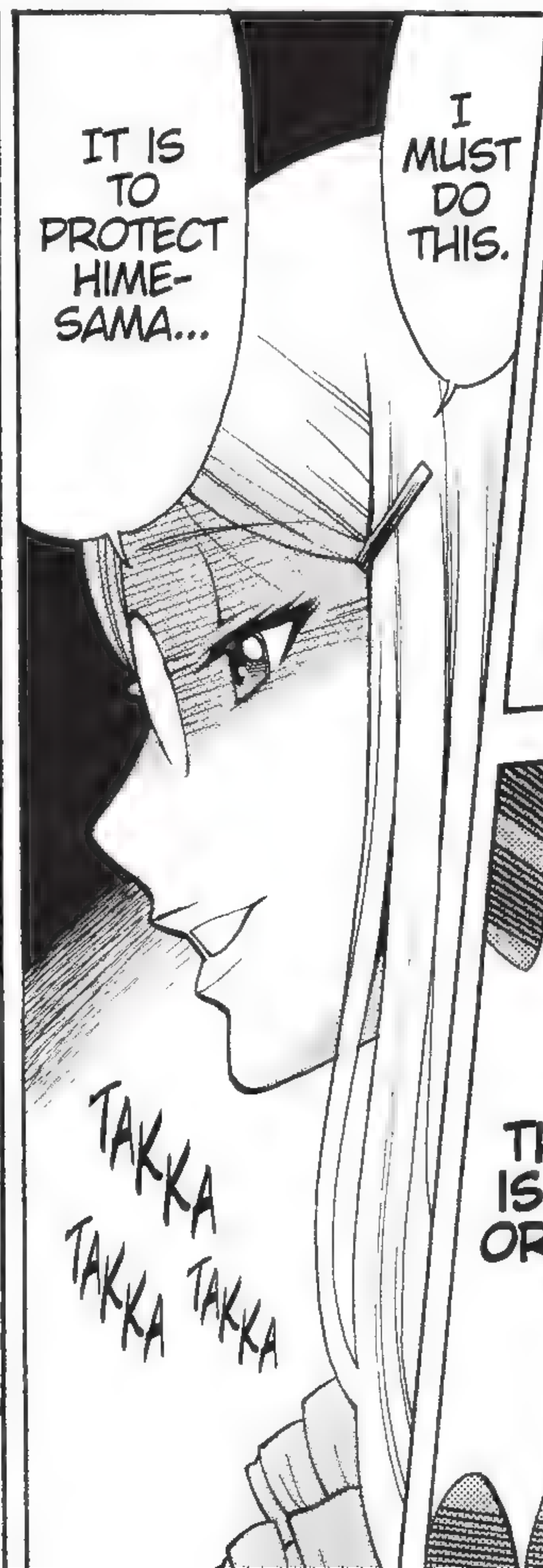
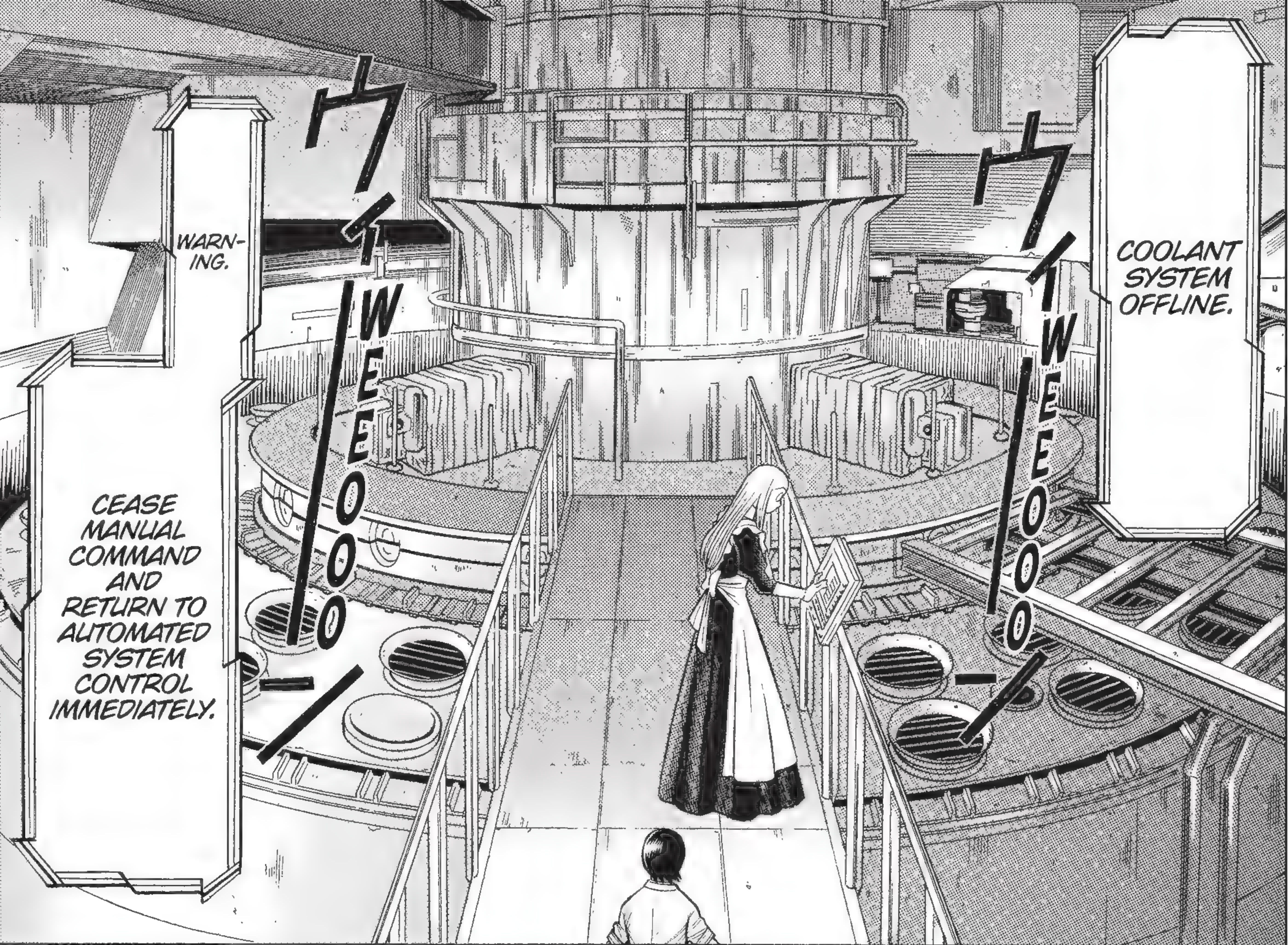
THE  
ATOMIC  
BOMB  
THAT HIT  
HIROSHIMA  
WOULD  
LOOK  
TAME BY  
COMPARI-  
SON...

FALLOUT  
COULD BE  
EXPECTED  
ACROSS  
THE ENTIRE  
KANTOU  
REGION.





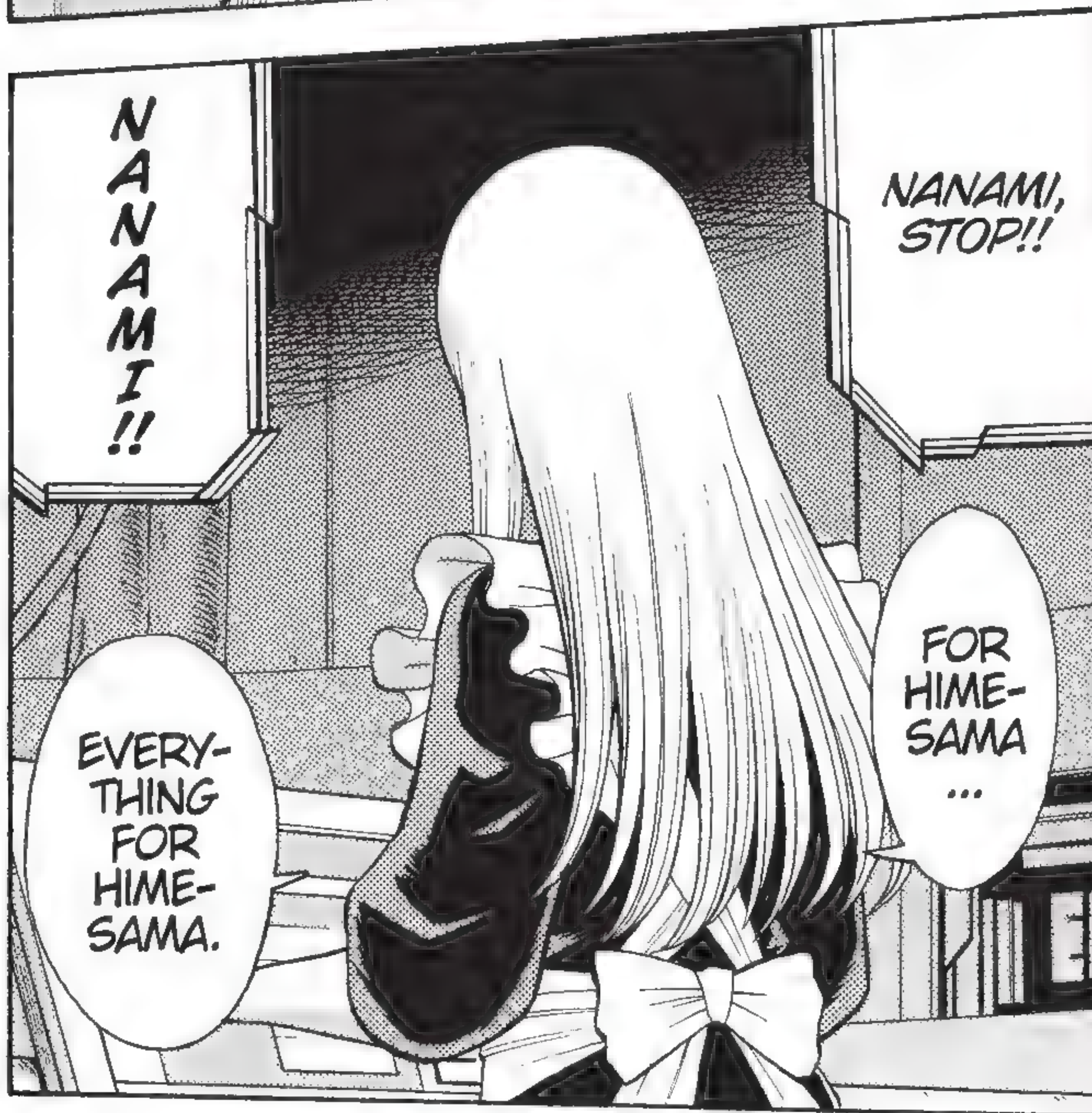








NO...



THE  
PIED  
PIPER  
...!





SHE MAY BE HIS MASTER, BUT YOU ARE ROYALTY! ANY ORDERS SHE HAS GIVEN HIM WILL BE OVERRIDDEN BY YOURS, YOUR MAJESTY.

YOU MUST ORDER HIM TO ELIMINATE HER!

BUT NANAMI'S BOY PARTNER IS THERE WITH HER. HE IS THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN STOP HER!

AKIRA IS ON HIS WAY!!

YOUR MAJESTY!

AL-PHONSE?

YOUR MAJESTY, THERE IS NO TIME! THE REACTOR COULD GO CRITICAL AT ANY MOMENT!

HE WILL NOT BE IN TIME!

DON'T DO IT!!

HIME-SAN, NO! I'LL BE THERE ANY SECOND!

ORDER YUZURU TO KILL NANAMI? ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?!

THIS IS AN EMERGENCY, YOUR MAJESTY!!

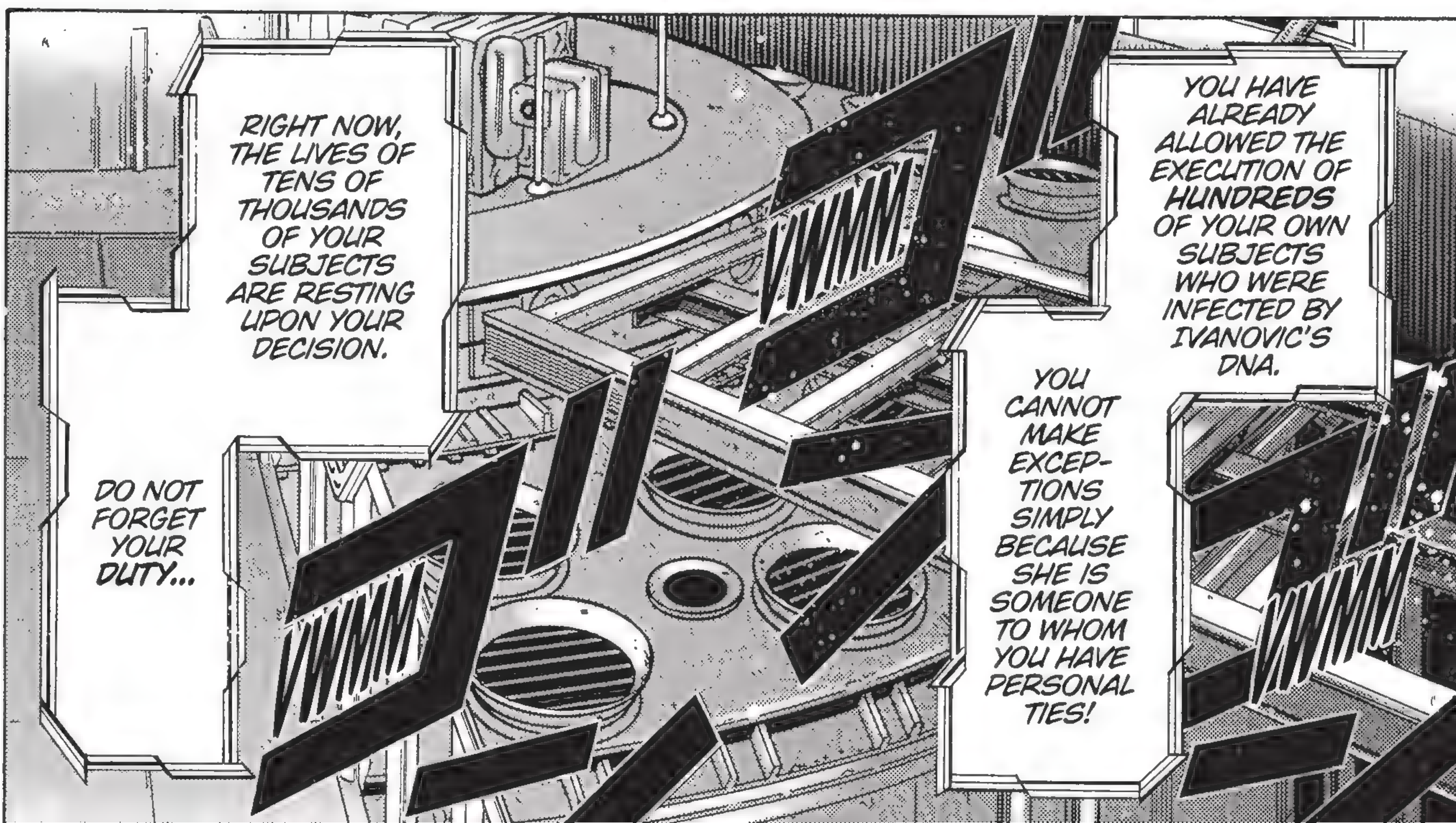
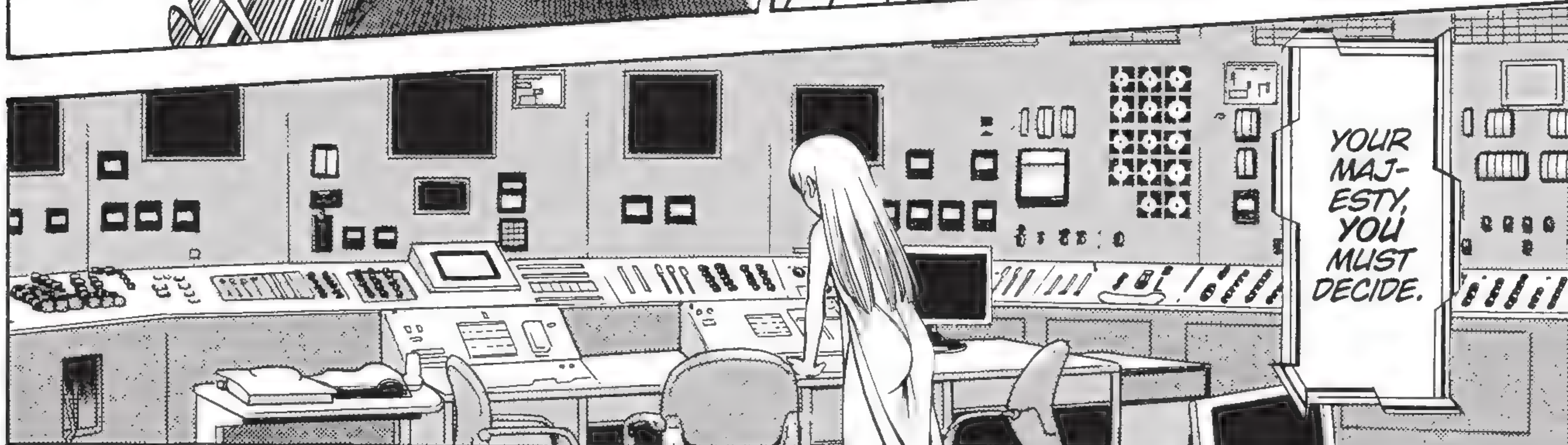




OUTTA  
MY  
WAY!!

I'VE  
GOT NO  
TIME  
TO  
PLAY  
WITH  
YOU!

YOUR  
MAJ-  
ESTY,  
YOU  
MUST  
DECIDE.



RIGHT NOW,  
THE LIVES OF  
TENS OF  
THOUSANDS  
OF YOUR  
SUBJECTS  
ARE RESTING  
UPON YOUR  
DECISION.

DO NOT  
FORGET  
YOUR  
DUTY...

YOU HAVE  
ALREADY  
ALLOWED THE  
EXECUTION OF  
HUNDREDS  
OF YOUR OWN  
SUBJECTS  
WHO WERE  
INFECTED BY  
IVANOVIC'S  
DNA.

YOU  
CANNOT  
MAKE  
EXCEP-  
TIONS  
SIMPLY  
BECAUSE  
SHE IS  
SOMEONE  
TO WHOM  
YOU HAVE  
PERSONAL  
TIES!



YUZURU...  
CAN YOU  
HEAR  
ME...?

NANAMI...

AND I'M NOT  
THE ONLY ONE.  
I'M SURE  
EVERYONE  
WHO SERVES  
YOU FEELS  
THE SAME WAY,  
YOUR MAJESTY.

THE  
THOUGHT  
THAT  
SOMETHING  
MIGHT  
HAPPEN  
TO YOU...  
JUST TOOK  
ME OVER,  
I GUESS.

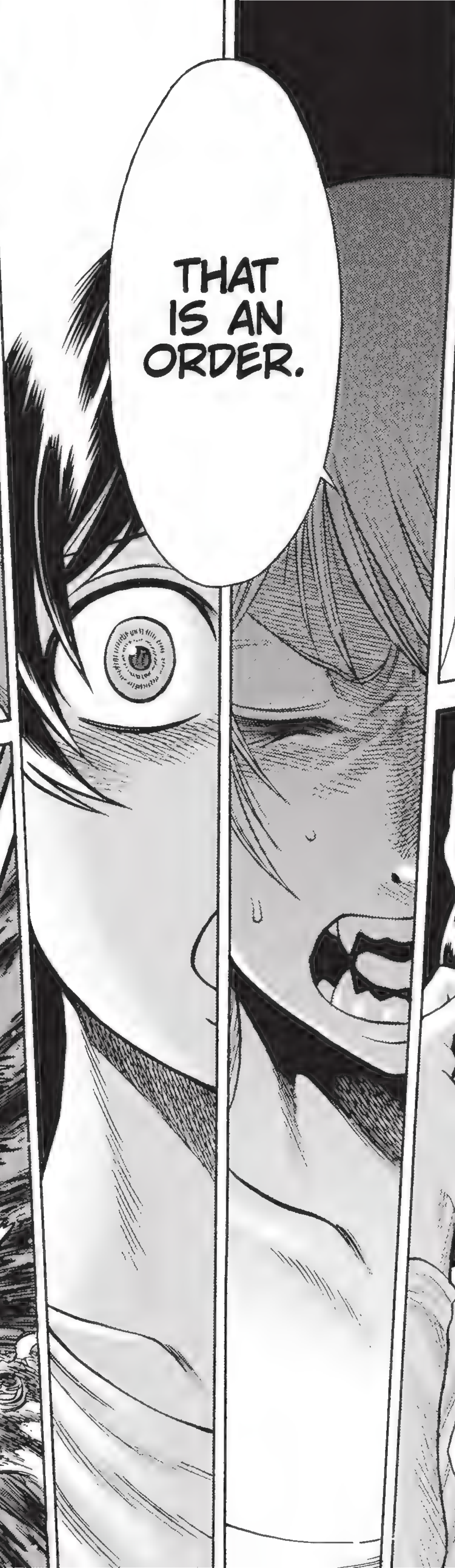
MY  
BODY  
MOVED  
BEFORE I  
REALIZED  
WHAT I  
WAS  
DOING.

I  
COULDN'T  
STAY  
STILL.

STOP  
NANAMI.

TAK





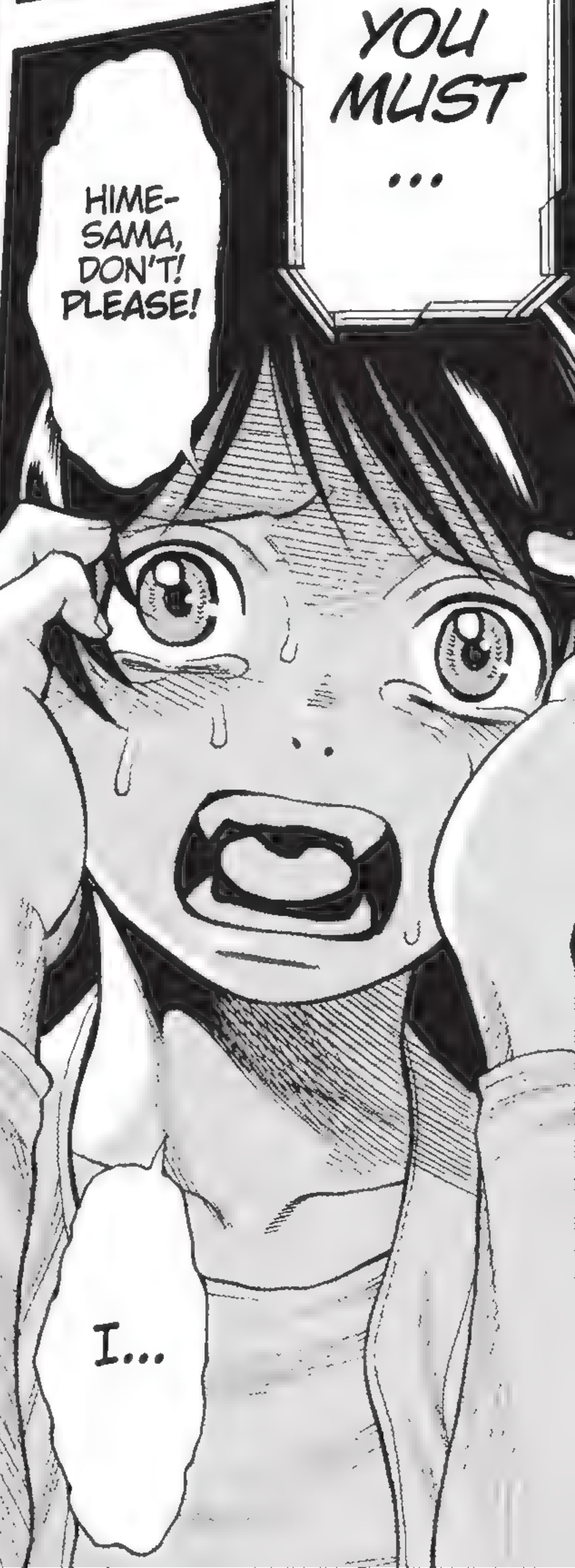
THAT  
IS AN  
ORDER.



AH  
...

ELIMI-  
NATE  
HER...

NO  
...

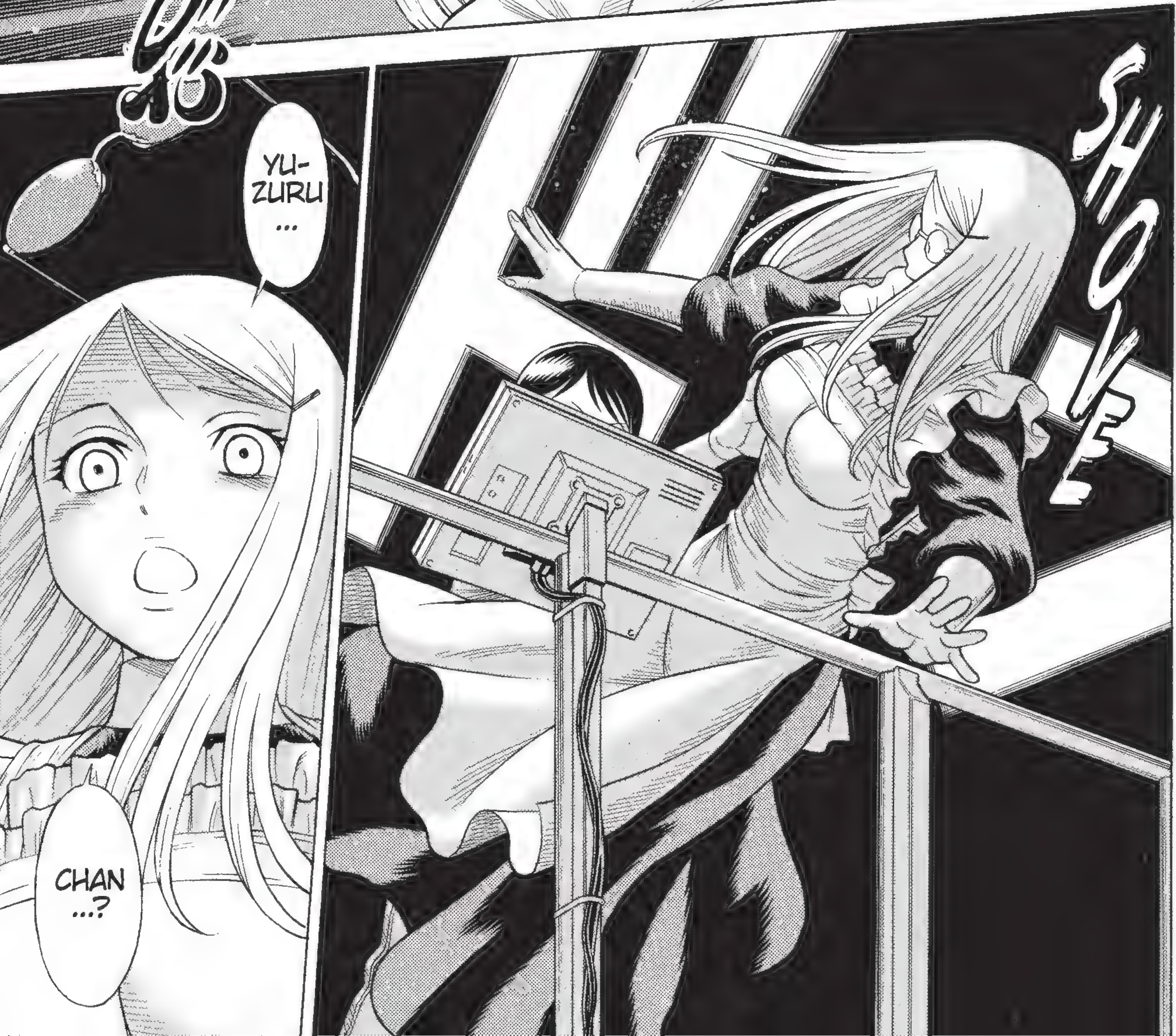


HIME-  
SAMA,  
DON'T!  
PLEASE!

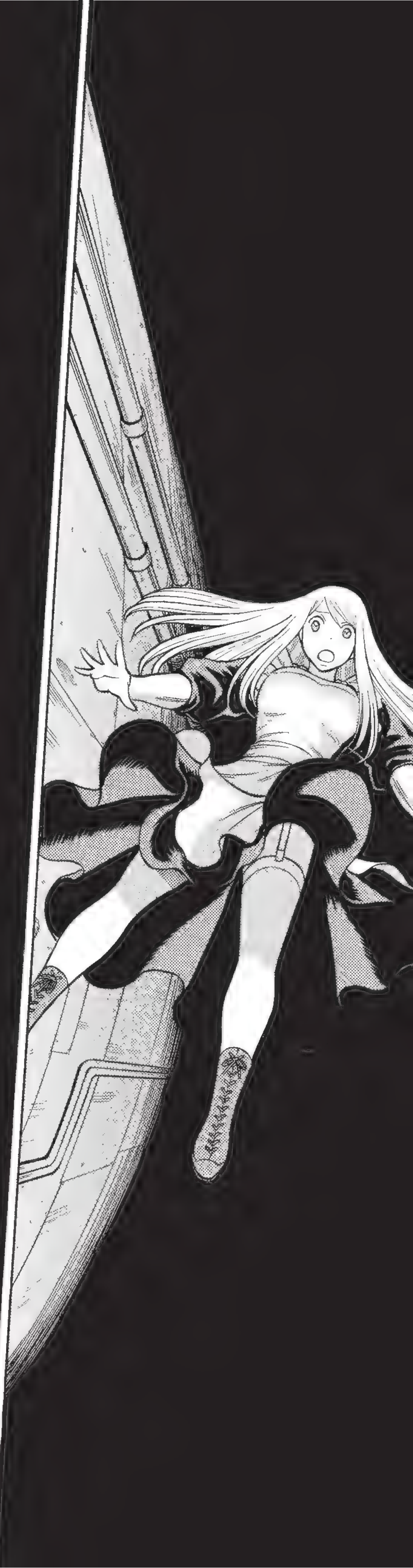
YOU  
MUST  
...

I...













YUZURU...  
SOMEONE  
WILL BE  
THERE  
TO GET  
YOU...  
SHORTLY.

OZMUCHIAAN!!!

OZMUCHIAZ-!

OZMUCHIAZ-!

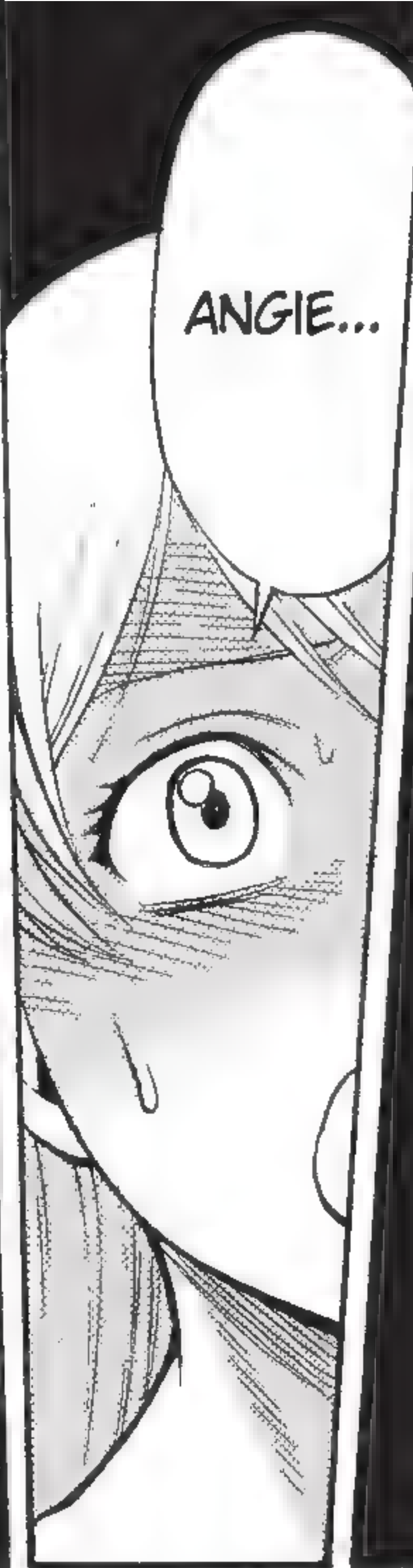




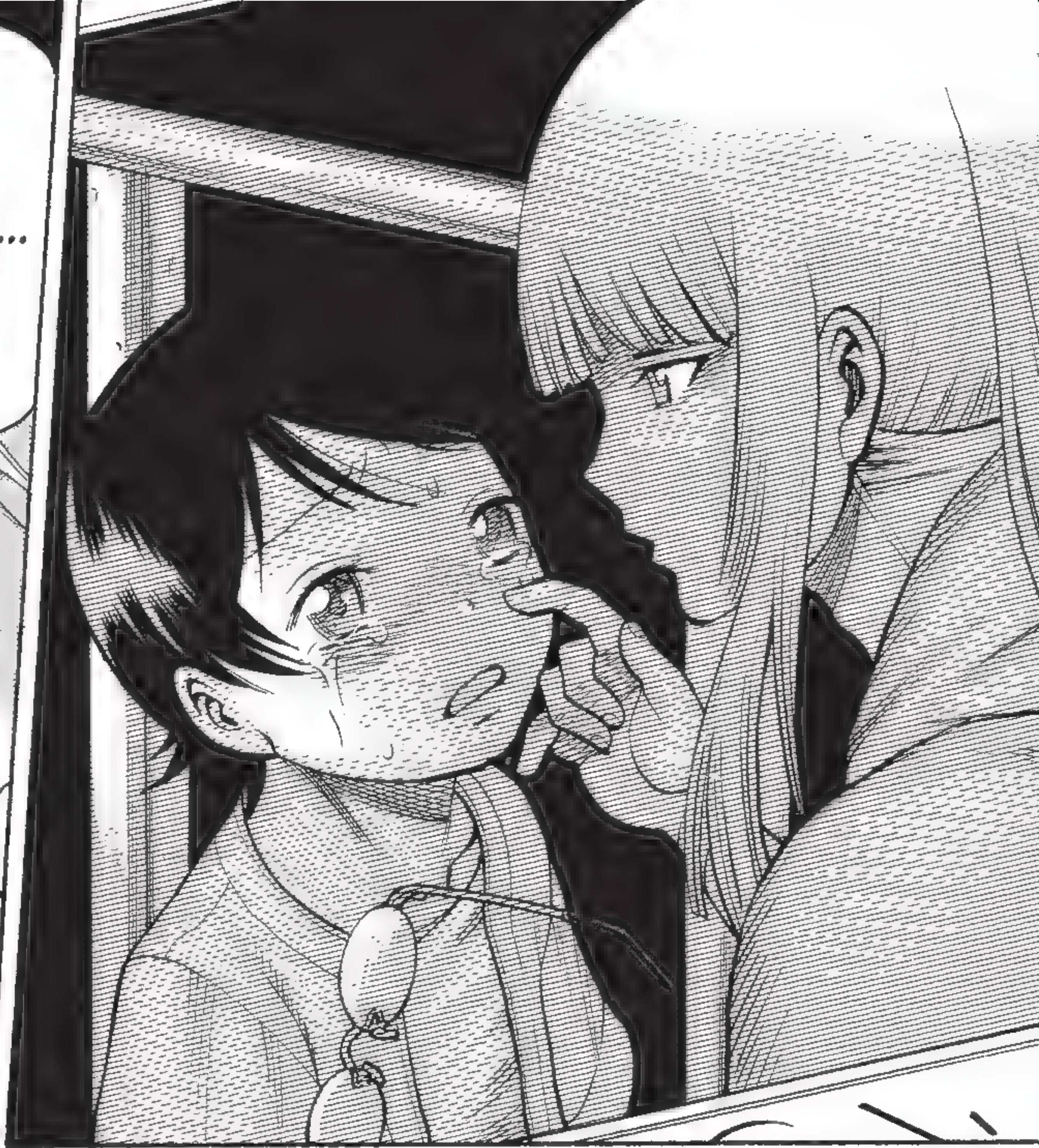


NO!  
DON'T  
FOLLOW  
HIM,  
YUZURU  
!!

STOP!  
WHERE  
DO YOU  
THINK  
YOU ARE  
TAKING  
HIM?!



ANGIE...



"DON'T  
ORDER  
ME  
AROUND  
ANY-  
MORE."

THAT,  
I  
BELIEVE,  
IS WHAT  
HE SAID.



YUZURU  
...?





ME?

AND  
YOU  
ARE  
...?

I GUESS  
YOU COULD  
CALL ME  
THE OR-  
CHESTRA-  
TOR OF  
TODAY'S  
CHAOS.





WAIT!

YOU  
MUST  
BE  
TELOM-  
ERE'S  
...



WHAT  
...?



YES,  
COMING  
IN  
PERSON  
WAS  
ENTIRELY  
WORTH  
IT.

ABSOLUTELY  
EVERYONE  
DANCED  
EXACTLY  
THE STEPS  
I WANTED  
THEM TO.

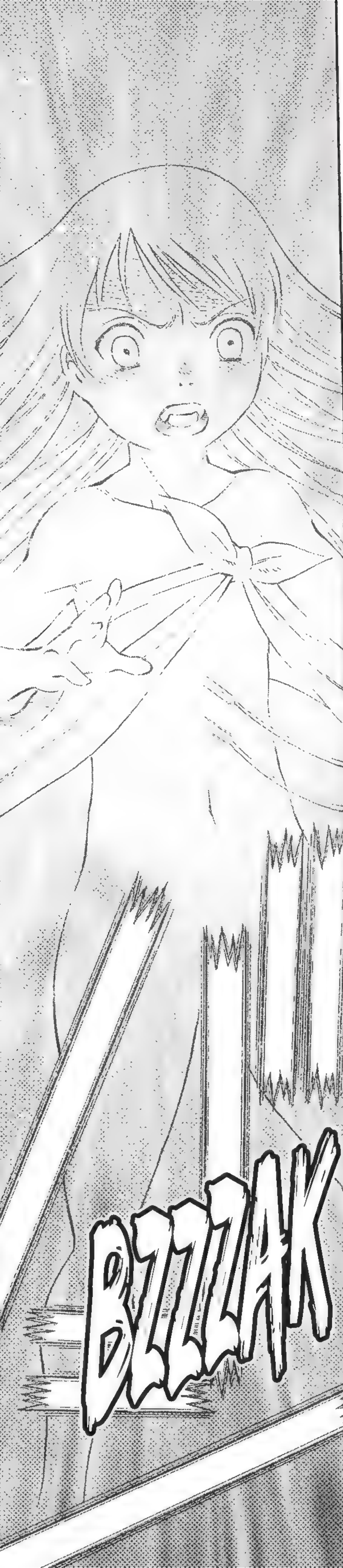


AND  
YOUR  
WORST  
ENEMY.

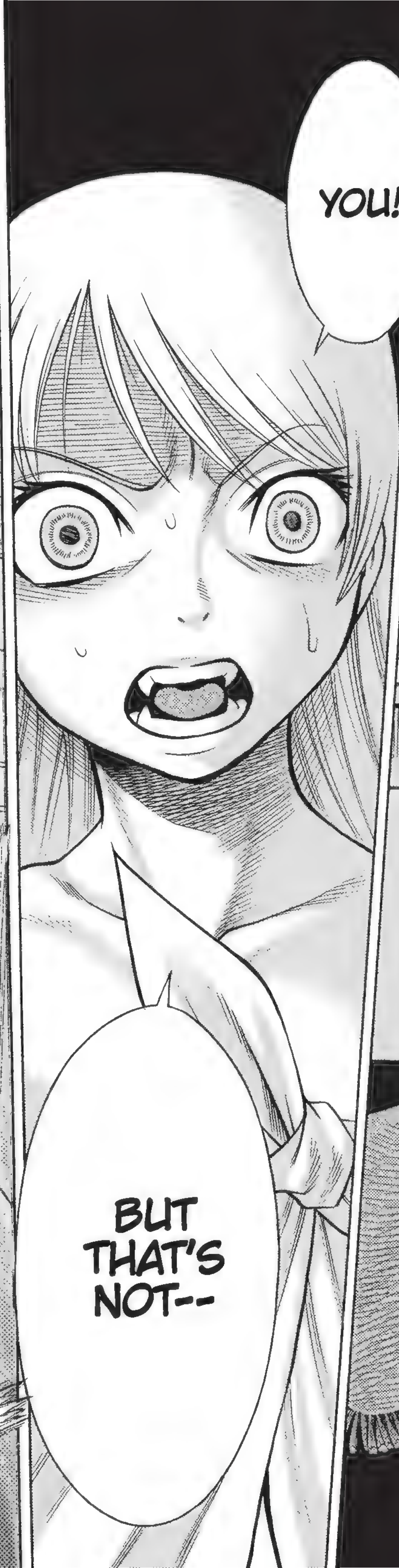
I AM THE  
LEADER  
OF THE  
ORGANIZA-  
TION  
KNOWN  
AS  
"TELOM-  
ERE"...

YES.  
IT IS AN  
HONOR  
TO MAKE  
YOUR  
ACQUAIN-  
TANCE,  
MINA  
TEPES.



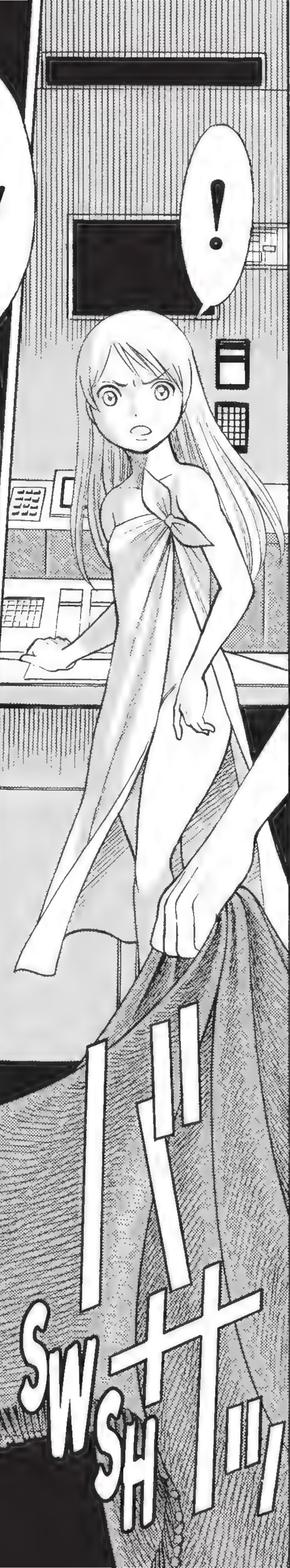


**BZZZAK**



**BUT  
THAT'S  
NOT--**

**YOU!**



**!**

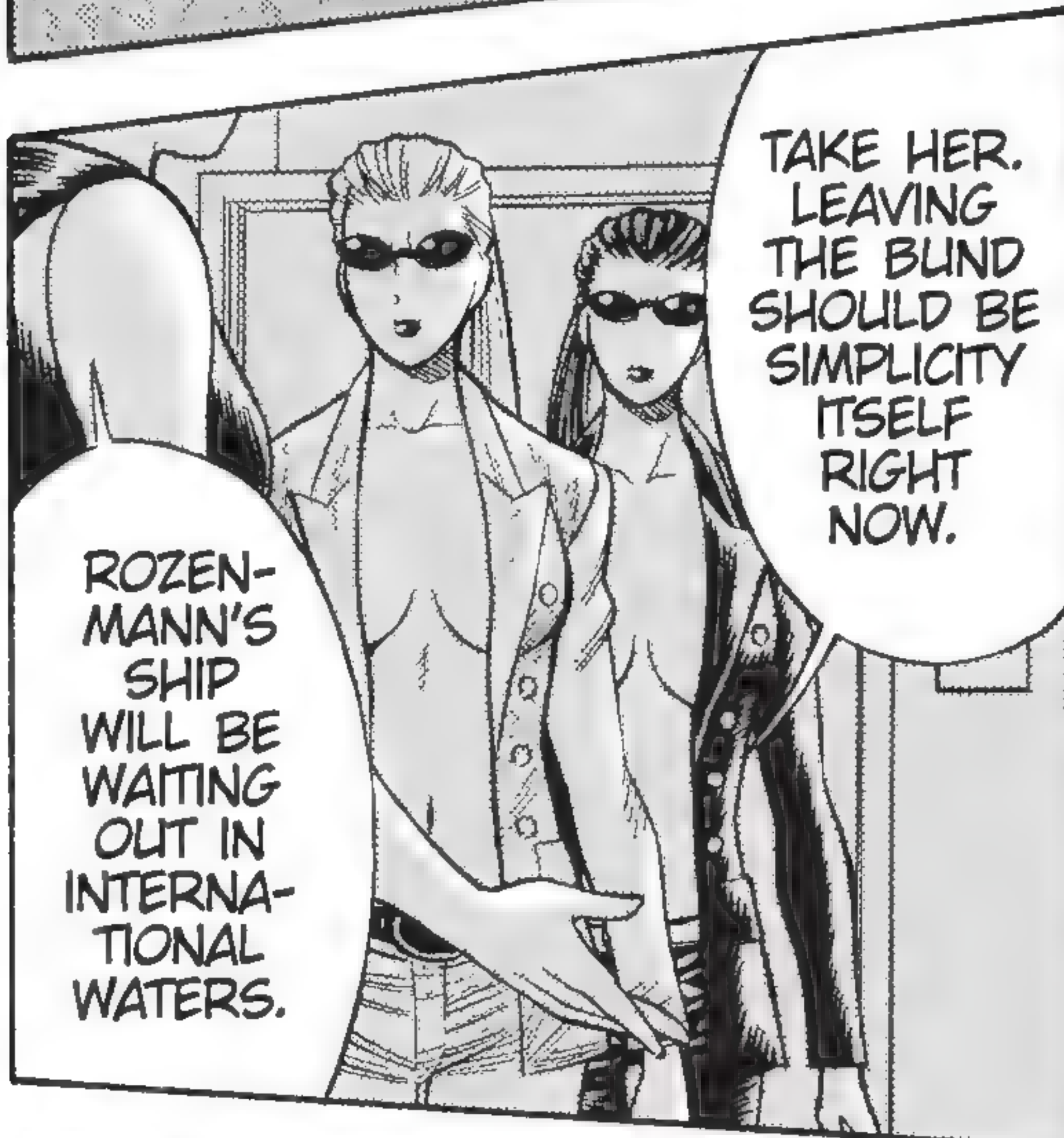
**SWSHH**





UNDER  
NORMAL  
CIRCUMSTANCES,  
I DOUBT YOU  
WOULD EVER  
FALL FOR SO  
SIMPLE A TRAP.  
HENCE, THE  
NEED TO SET  
UP SO MANY  
EXTRA...  
SHOCKS,  
SHALL WE  
SAY?

AFTER  
ENDURING  
THIS KIND  
OF DAY,  
NO ONE  
WOULD BE  
THINKING  
CLEARLY.



ROZEN-  
MANN'S  
SHIP  
WILL BE  
WAITING  
OUT IN  
INTERNA-  
TIONAL  
WATERS.

TAKE HER.  
LEAVING  
THE BLIND  
SHOULD BE  
SIMPLICITY  
ITSELF  
RIGHT  
NOW.



THAT'S  
ENOUGH  
TALK.

I'M  
AFRAID  
I'M A  
LITTLE  
SHORT  
ON  
TIME.

NNH  
...

LNH  
...



SO  
BYE-BYE,  
MISS  
BLUSHING  
BRIDE.  
YOUR  
GROOM  
AWAITS  
YOU.



NOTHING  
PERSONAL,  
PRINCESS.

HE AND I  
HAD A DEAL,  
YOU SEE,  
TO KEEP  
HIM FROM  
MEDDLING IN  
MY PLANS  
FOR TODAY.

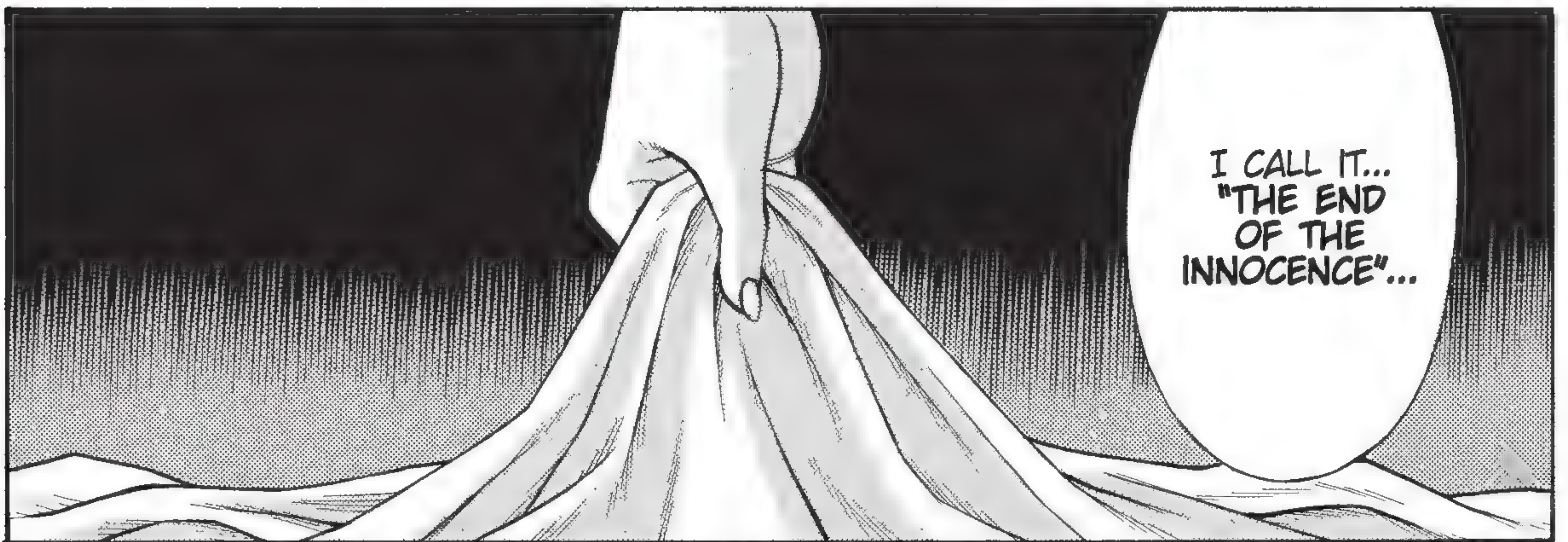




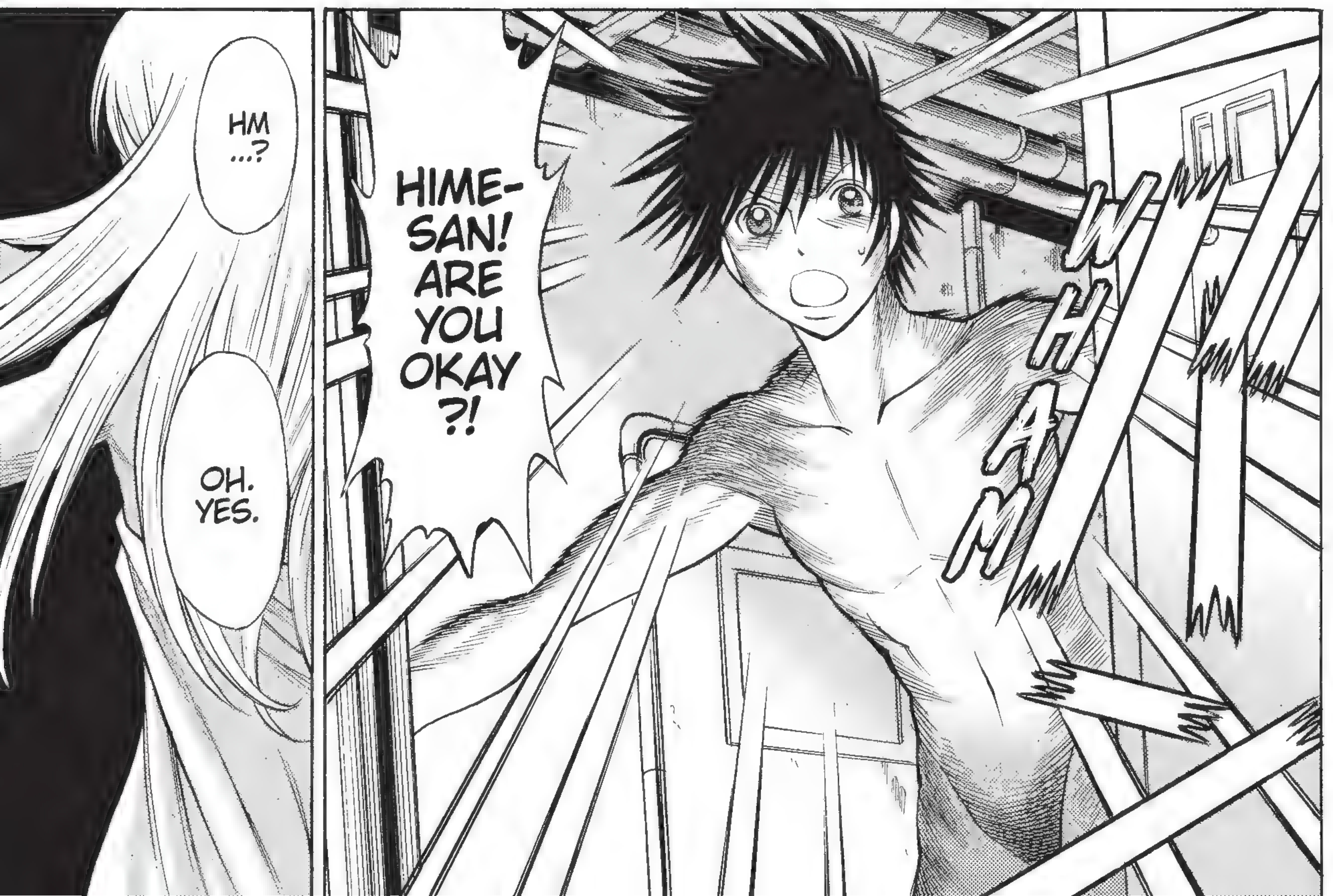
IT IS  
TIME TO  
RAISE  
THE  
CURTAIN  
ON MY  
GRAND  
PLAY.



NOW  
THEN  
...



I CALL IT...  
"THE END  
OF THE  
INNOCENCE"...



HIME-  
SAN!  
ARE  
YOU  
OKAY  
?!

W  
H  
A  
M

HM  
...?

OH.  
YES.





I'M  
FINE...

CONTINUED IN DANCE IN THE VAMPIRE BUND VOLUME 10!

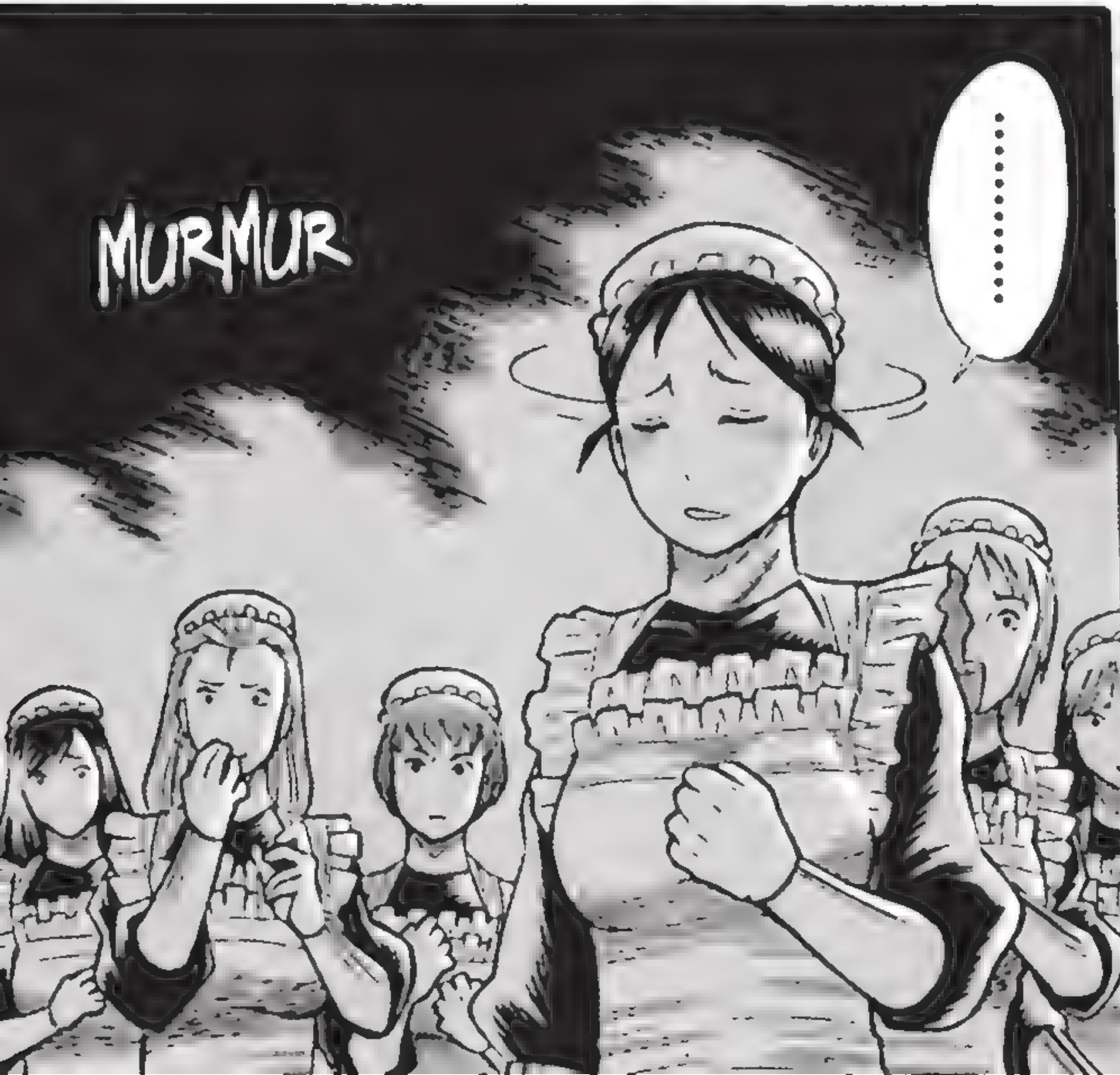


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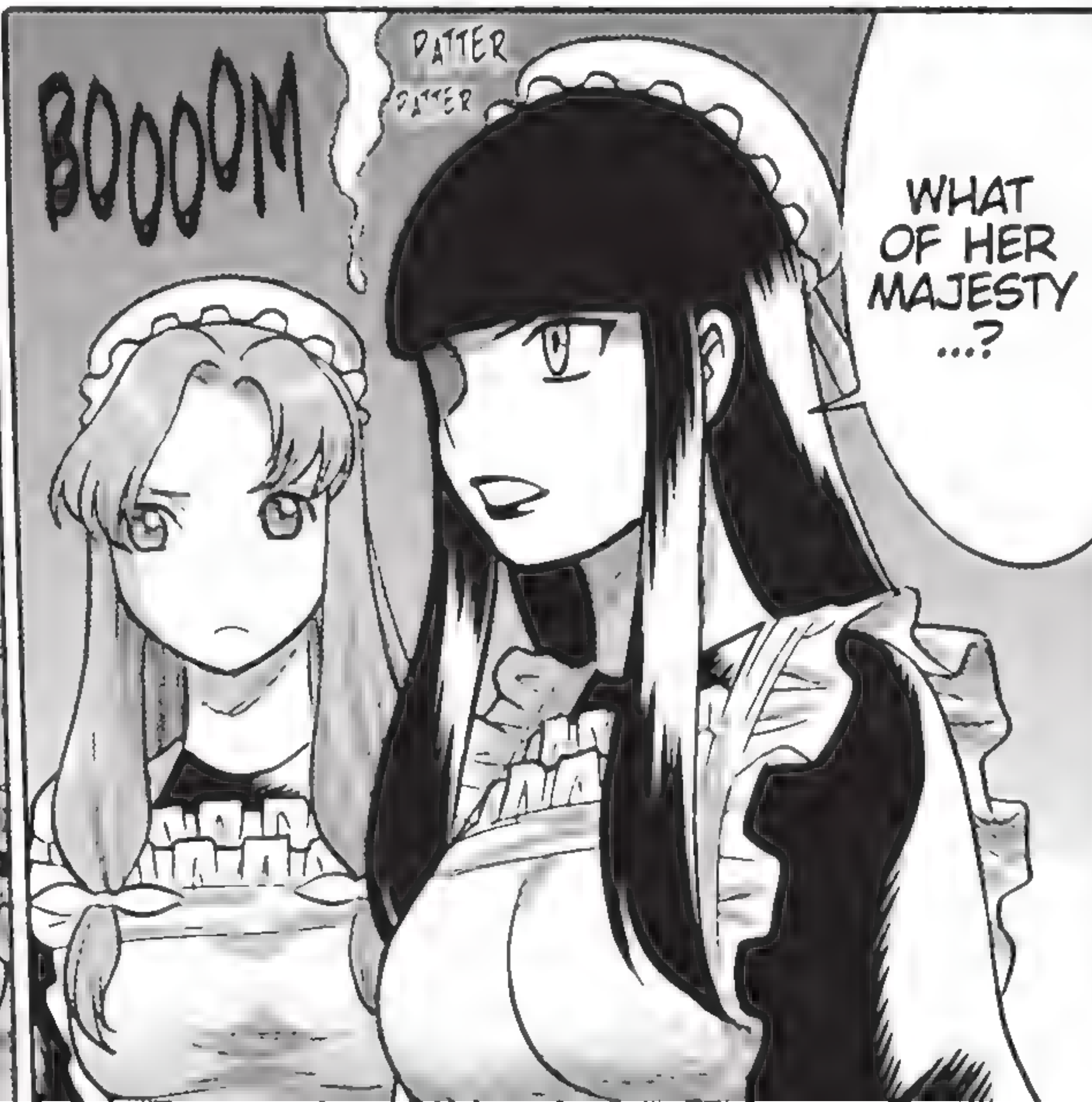


ENEMY  
SOLDIERS  
HAVE  
BEEN  
SIGHTED  
ON THIS  
VERY  
FLOOR!!

MA'AM,  
WE  
HAVE  
AN  
URGENT  
REPORT  
!!



MURMUR



BOOOOM

WHAT  
OF HER  
MAJESTY  
...?





THUS,  
THERE  
IS BUT  
ONE  
THING  
FOR US  
TO DO.

HIME-SAMA'S  
FINAL ORDER  
TO US WAS  
TO CARE FOR  
YUKI-SAMA.



BLAM BLAM BLAM

THMMMM

WHAT  
SHOULD  
WE DO?  
SHALL WE  
GO ON  
THE ATTACK  
AND HUNT  
FOR HER  
MAJESTY?



BUT  
WHAT  
SAY  
WE GO  
DANCE,  
HM?



IT'S  
BEEN  
QUITE  
SOME  
TIME...



SOMEBODY  
BRING  
ME MY  
BLADE.

Y-YES,  
MA'AM!

WHA  
...



OH DEAR...  
FOR  
NELLY-SAMA  
TO WANT  
HER DARK  
BLADE...

HUSH!  
NOW  
HUSTLE!





I SWEAR  
UPON MY  
BLADE,  
"RAGING  
HEART"...

BRUMMM



DON'T  
WORRY.  
WE WILL  
MAKE  
SURE YOU  
STAY SAFE,  
EVEN IF IT  
COSTS  
US OUR  
LIVES!!

AH...





LATER...

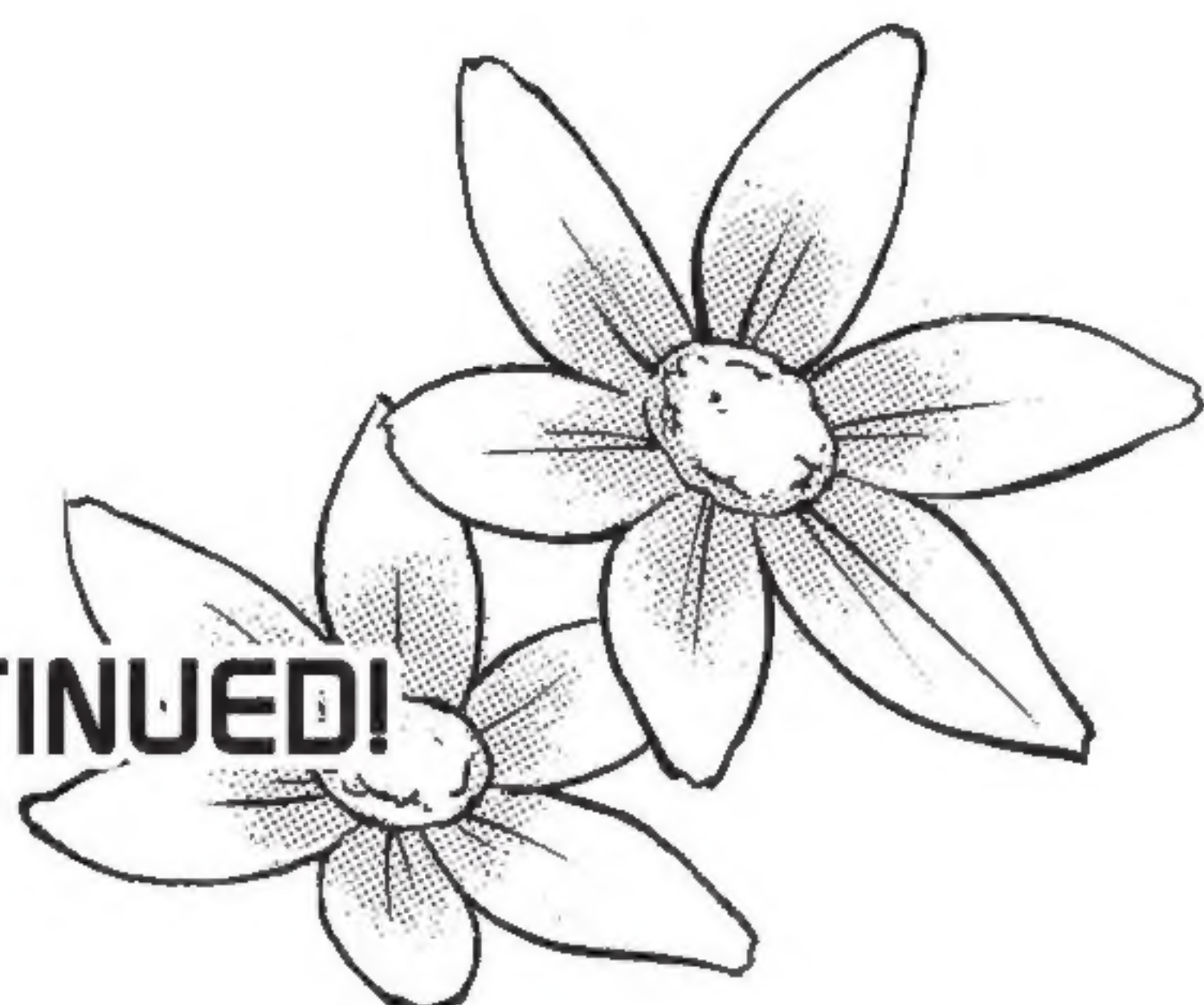


YUKI WOULD  
SAY THAT NEVER  
HAD HER LACK  
OF WORDS  
FRUSTRATED  
HER MORE THAN  
AT THAT VERY  
MOMENT.



MAIDS...  
TO  
BATTLE  
!!

OH  
WELL...



TO BE CONTINUED!

"YOU HAVE  
THE WRONG  
KANJI  
CHARACTER  
AT THE TIP  
OF YOUR  
CHAINSAW."

HAD SHE  
BEEN ABLE,  
SHE COULD  
HAVE TOLD  
THEM...



Olga, Tatiana, Maria, and Anastasia were the four daughters of Tzar Nicholas II, the last Tzar of Imperial Russia. They actually were known to occasionally sign letters using "OTMA" as a nickname. All four were killed during the Bolshevik Revolution, on July 17, 1918.



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